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A FAIRY STORY
ABOUT A NEW FAIRY

Fairyland has a new-comer. Thanksgiving afternoon about three o'clock a sun-beam kissed the twilight dew as it hung o'er the Sea of Life—the Creator smiled at His handi-work, and a new star twinkled in the Constellation Adair. It was then that Sarah Elizabeth Adair took up her abode on this planet and Anothony Garland Adair, official wizard of The Daily News, posed before a mirror, brushed the bow of which unraveled the curlicue, wrung and said, "let joy be unconfined, she looks like Father."

What a lucky little lady and no doubt [illegible] connected with Venus in her coming. With friends of Garland Adair [illegible] be remains conscious [illegible] not all take lamp [illegible] or tries to [illegible] the milk-way.

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A CALL TO DUTY

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THE TRUE AMERICAN

Nations or governments are the greatest human institutions in the history of mankind.

If man had lived in a solitary existence and had little or no cooperation with his kind, it is impossible to conceive how much progress could have been made. With the gathering together of individuals into groups whether for the purpose of sustenance, sociability, protection, aggression or conquest, came leadership and authority and a common understanding of rights and duties were enforced.

It is from such gnarled roots that humanity has developed and grown the present order in society, the blossom and fruit of which will continue to become more beautiful, sweet and nutritious as the soil from which it draws its sustenance becomes more and more rich in wisdom, knowledge, righteousness and justice.

Americanism means that the individual has a free and inherent right to express his opinion on all matters of public interest, and to have his part in deciding what shall constitute the will and action of the body politic. In return he is duty bound to respect and obey its mandates and is responsible to it for [illegible]

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CENTRAL TEXAS PRESS
By N. P. Hout.

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Reel Poetry.

Whatever troubles Adam had
To keep him on the fly,
He had no income tax to pay
Or Christmas gifts to buy.
—Mineral Wells Index.

Whatever troubles Adam had
To make his life hodge-podge,
He had no gasoline to buy
Or darting cars to dodge.
—Bryan Eagle

Whatever troubles Adam had
To make his life seem sloppy
There were no printers nagging him
Eternally for copy.

The Mexia Daily News office has contributed it's full share in the way of increasing the population of Mexia during the present year. Along about the first of the year, D. J. Bounds, chief linotype man in this office had to lose a few hours from his work because of the arrival of a fine boy in his home. A little later on Bob Dancer, our colored porter "layed off" to welcome the arrival of a son in his home. Just a few weeks ago a fine boy arrived in the home of our manager, Walter R. Boyd, necessitating his absence from the office for several days. And now come the managing editor, A. Gabriel Acuir, with a Thanksgiving offering in the shape of a wee bit of sweet humanity—a girl—to gladden his heart and add to the sunshine of his home. Of course somebody had to "sub" for each of these fathers while they were busy entertaining the baby, and in the present occasion it falls to the lot of this writer to do Garland's work in the office for a few days, until he gets used to his new surrounding. But we cheerfully do the extra work, and hope that the little miss will grow and develop into a beautiful woman and be the pride of her daddy and mother.

As an Artic explorer Dr. Cook may or may not have been a success. But whether the facts of history, past as well as that yet to be written vindicates his claim to discovery of the north pole, his historian will have to record that it was as an oil operator that he met his Waterloo.—Denison Herald.

And if all that was said about the doctor in his trial (or even half of it) was true, or half true, he won't find any north poles in the next world.

With her new cabinet Germany hopes to establish the Marx on a firmer foundation. But what Germany needs more than a cabinet is the establishment of its mark on a firmer foundation.

One of the strangest things in this world is that anybody could think Mr. Coolidge might be elected President by attending strictly to business.—Snap Shots.

Who thinks that he is going to be elected at all?

The Bryan Eagle recently issued a special edition that would do credit to a city much larger than Bryan. Mrs. Rountree is making good as an editor and manager, and the press gang throughout the state will join us in congratulating Bryan on having her as its editor.

Sam Braswell, president of the Texas Press Association and Sam Harbin, secretary, have formed a partnership to print the Texas Christian Advocate for a period of ten years. The paper will be published at Richardson, just a few miles out of Dallas. It is the hope of the rank and file of the membership of the T. P. A. that the continuous contact with this great religious weekly will have an evangelizing effect on these two Sams.—Mineral Wells Index.

For mercy sake! Do "these two Sams" need all of that to make them good?

We acknowledge the receipt of a pair of little reminders from Hon. J. W. Bass, collector of internal revenue, setting forth a desire to hear from us not later than December 15, at our peril. And as we understand his position, it is this: "If you haven't got it; get it."—Geo. Bailey in Houston Post.

Well, you ought to be thankful that is the last call, for this year at least.

Dempsey to Fight Firpo, Wills, Gibbons

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Three big bouts, in which his net cut ought to be more than a half million dollars, are in the making just as soon as Jack Dempsey decides that the time is ripe for the picking.

Dempsey had two big contests this year with Tommy Gibbons and Luis Angel Firpo, and he would have taken on Harry Wills for a third fight, if he would not have been forced to part with practically all of the last purse in income taxes.

Wills, Firpo and Gibbons are still live prospects and they will be worked into the 1924 schedule that Jack Kearns is now arranging for the champion.

The match with Wills naturally will be the most attractive because the colored challenger has a traditional right to the "logical" place and he has never been defeated by Dempsey, while Firpo and Gibbons have had one chance.

The Wills match also presents the most difficulties in being arranged. The match would have been made long ago if promoters felt sure of their grounds.

After the political skies had been cleared somewhat and after Governor Smith, in a campaign speech which he was making in the interest of Democratic legilsature candidates, said that Wills could fight Dempsey, another obstacle arose when Wills announced that he never would fight for Tex Rickard.

Dempsey, it is generally believed, will not work for any other promoter, because he and his manager feel that Rickard is the only promoter big enough to make a financial success of a big heavyweight championship fight

Reports that Wills had set his personal differences with Rickard have been heard recently, and it is understood that the colored heavyweight is ready to listen to what Rickard has to offer for the fight.

Dempsey, it is understood, is willing to consider an indoor bout with Tom Gibbons this winter. If this is true, Dempsey has not increased his price tag since his fight with Firpo.

For a fight in New York, Dempsey could hardly get more than $100,000 for an inside show, figuring that his opponent would have to get something more than the honor of fighting the champion.

DELPHIAN CLUB

The Delphian Club met at the public library at 3:30 Wednesday, Nov. 28. Mrs. T. H. Hickman opened the meeting, discussing old and new business. Mrs. Hollingsworth led the club in a talk of Golden Age of Greece.

Mrs. Weaver discussed the Olympian games.

Mrs. Howard submitted a paper on Darius.

Mrs. Rochelle gave a discussion on Xerxes.

Mrs. Phillips spoke of Themistocles and Aristider.

Mrs. Bennett discussed Simon.

Mrs. Smith discussed the prosperity of Athens.

Mrs. Bennett suggested we postpone our next Club meeing until January.

Motion to adjourn.—Reporter.

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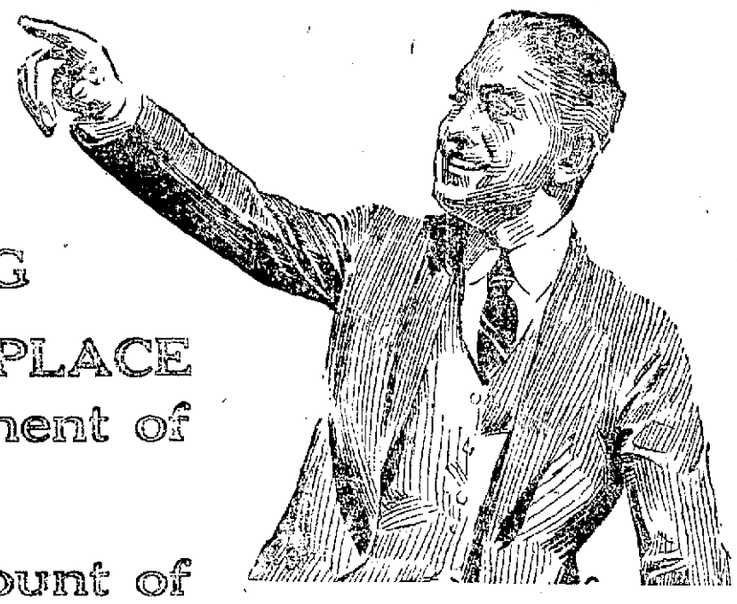

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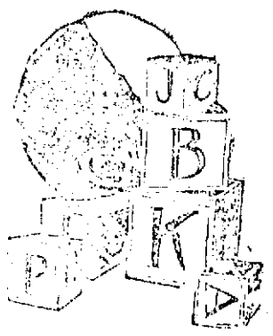

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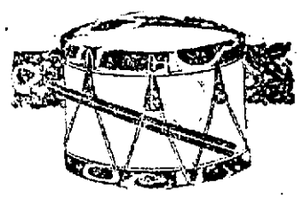

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-SOX FOR MEN
-GLOVES FOR MEN
-SUITS FOR MEN
-OVERCOATS FOR MEN
-SUITS FOR BOYS
-SUITS FOR LITTLE BOYS
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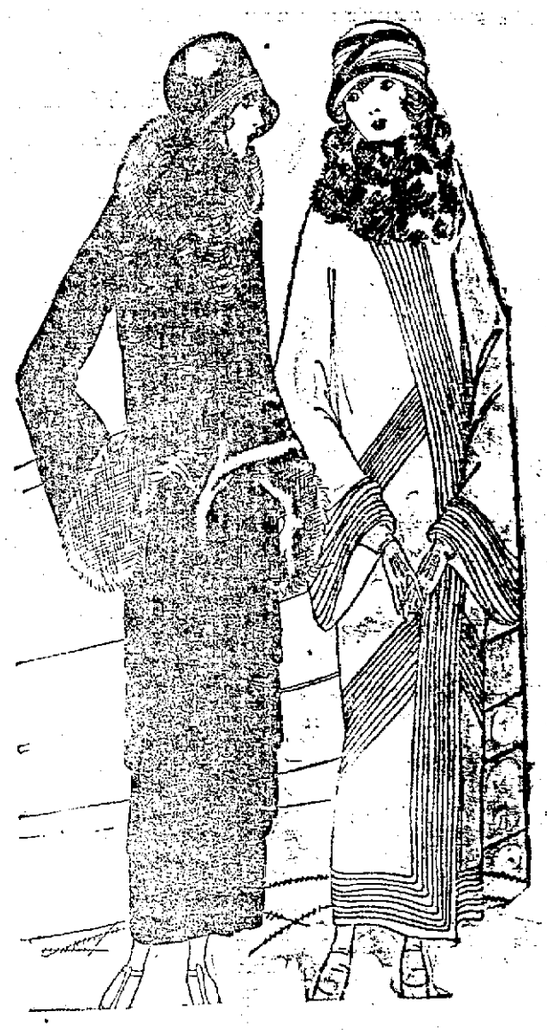

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THANKSGIVING SERMON

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as an experiment but we have "made good." The name "America" now tands for all that is worth while in ational and radical greatness.

At first there were only thirteen colonies, cuddled along the eastern coast, and these colonies were controlled by King George of England. To him our forefathers paid tribute. The yoke of England became too heavy so finally when an arbitrary parliament insisted on taxation without representation, it was too much. Like the Irishman who came over to this country. He went into a hotel and ordered dinner. They brought him a bowl of soup and he picked up the bowl and drank down the soup all right. They brought him celery and he ate that. Then they brought him a lobster, but he shoved it back saying, "That's too much that's the limit! I drank your slop, ate your bouget, but I'll be hanged if I eat your bugs. So it was when England said "taxation without representation" our forefathers said that's the limit, we submit to some things but that is going too far. Fifty-six men representing the thirteen colonies met in Philadelphia and drafted what is known as the greatest document of all times, the Declaration of Independence This was ratified by the colonies and then thousands of real true Americans went out and stained the soil crimson with their own life's blood to purchase for you and for me this great land of liberty. We praise the name of Washington, and of Molly Pitcher and others whose names are recorded on the pages of history, but let us not forget that there were thousands of men who bravely died for us and whose names are not known to us. Let us be truly thankful for their supreme sacrifice.

Our mission as a nation is a mission of worldwide democracy, which will result in universal peace. It is said that the most impressive tomb ever designed for a soldier is the one, where lies the dust of Ulysses S. Grant. No armor is hung about him, no musket is stacked by his sepulcher, and no word is laid at his side. While it was his hard fortune to be a soldier it was his glory to be a man of peace. Other nations have tried to conquer with the sword and are almost forgotten. While it has been necessary for America to resort to the sword a few times to defend her national ideals, yet if America ever conquers the world and brings about that age of peace seen by the prophets, it will be by the program prescribed by the "Prince of Peace" and not by the sword.

We are proud, and should be thankful, for the progress our nation has made. We have gone forward by ears and bounds. We have not only developed our farms and our mines, our forests and our cities, our educational facilities and our artistic tastes, but best of all Columbia has developed a national soul. This national soul was shown when we forgave the nation that insulted us by sinking the Maine; when we paid the same nation $20,000,000 for the Philippine Islands; when we bought Louisiana from France. We could easily have wrested that country from France had we chosen to do so, but might does not make right, and to do an evil thing just because we can does not legitimatize it.

We like to think of the things that make our progress possible. Europe is credited with 35,000 miles of rivers, but there are 35,000 miles of navigable rivers in the Mississippi system alone. One-half the railroad mileage of the world is within the United State, and these roads carry approximately 1,000,000,000 passengers each year. We have 1,500,000 square miles of arable land capable of supporting one billion people alone, when properly cultivated. The Dakotas were once described as a blanket of brown grass wrinkled a little at the upper edge and at the southwest corner, but that blanket has been changed from brown to one of gold by its great wheat production. William Cullen Bryant gave one of the most impressive pictures of solitude in the language when he wrote "Where rolls the Oregon, and hears no sound save his own dashing." The emigrant destroyed that picture long ago, by the ring of the ax and saw, the clatter of machinery, the pulse of the locomotive, and the hoarse whistle of the ocean steamer. In the sunny groves of California are the apples of the Hesperides. The oranges are so big that two or three of them make a dozen. If, as Seward prophisied, the Pacific coast is to become the scene of man's greatest achievements, then either on the Golden Gate or on the Puget Sound will be found the metropolis of the world. San Francisco is only fifty years behind New York City in population.

We should be thankful that America is also leading in Christian advancement. We are sending missionaries with the glad tidings of a Savior's love to all heathen lands. The United States was the first great nation to vote national prohibition, and I appeal to Christian men and women to uphold the laws of our country that it may continue to lead in Christian civilization. All over our country can be found imported people with several x's and y's and x's in their names who are complaining about our laws. They complain about the Sunday laws and other laws. It is high time for real Americans to say to such people, "If you don't like American institutions and laws and methods of worship, pack your bandana handkerchiefs, crate your dogs, and cross the Atlantic." Let us uphold the laws of our country that "America may remain the Queen of the nations." We like to boast of our country, like the American who was traveling in Europe. His attention was called to many great things, but he would always compare them with America and exclaim, "America is ahead!" When they spoke of their rivers he told them of the Mississippi, when they mentioned their mountains he described the Rockies, when they pointed out their lakes he told them of the Great Lakes, when they called attention to their water-falls he described Niagara of the world, and etc. Finally they decided to play a joke on him, so they drugged him and took him into a great catacomb, piled skeletons all about him, stood other skeletons up in corners and along the walls. They put a brick light near him and then hid awaiting his awakening. Finally he aroused, pushed the dry bones over on the stone floor, jumped up shouting, "This is resurrection morning and I am the first one up! America is still ahead!" In our boasting let us not forget to be truly thankful to the great God that makes these blessings possible.

Before closing this part of the message let us consider the blessings we enjoy in Mexia. The great God in the beginning placed the mineral deposits and oil deposits in the earth. While they might not have been placed there in the state in which they are found today, yet God ordained the laws of nature that have made these deposits, and as was said long ago, "the cattle on a thousand hills belong to Jehovah" so it can be truly said today that the wealth found in the earth is the Lord's, for back of it is the Hand of God. Many people of Mexia have been blessed directly and others indirectly by the great Mexia oil fields; they have helped to build fine churches and homes and paved streets and other improvements that have given to us a desirable little city in which to live. These blessings are temporal for they must pass with the using but lets use them aright that we may purchase a home in that city that hath foundation, whose builder and maker is God.

The Spiritual Blessings.

In considering the Spiritual blessings that we enjoy with all mankind I wish to say first of all that we should be truly thankful that we have the favor of God; that He is mindful of us. When we stop to consider God's greatness, that he is omniscient and omnipresent, that He is the Creator of the Universe, we feel our insignificance and are led to exclaim with the Sweet Singer of Israel, "When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; what is man that thou art mindful of him?" But we are reminded of the fact that God is mindful of us, that He has set His love upon us and for that wonderful love we should be thankful. Permit me to picture to you that love of God Might Excite, for which we should be thankful, above everything else. The most beautiful building in America is the Congressional Library building in Washington. The brilliant architect, Mr. Smithmeyer, traveled all over the world, visiting the most famous buildings in all lands before completing his plans for this princely structure. The building cost six millions of dollars, and was more than eight years in erection. It is a marvelous combination of noble dignity and symmetrical beauty, and stands as a triumph to the architect's genius and the builder's skill. There is another building, grander even more than the Library building in Washington. Divinity is its architect. This building is MAN—God's Masterpiece. When through the unopened cycles of the vast and vapory unknown, God wrapped in the arms of His own omnipotence, begot His own Divine Son, co-existent, co-equil with Himself. Then when at last the veil of night was drawn across the boundless surges of eternity, and out of chaos time was born; by one mere fiat of His mighty will, urged on by His Love, the co-existent Son, from formless night to light came forth and all the glory of the world was done. From the roaring billows deep, uprolled the islands green, the earth brought forth her flowers and trees, her birds and beast; within the open seas the fishes glided, Nature blended in harmony most sweet and sang a song in measured beats to her Lord and the Lord declared it all was well. But still because of that love that burned within the heart of Father, He wished to see in this world of ours a knowing mind, a thinking intellect, who seeing all the beauties of nature might voice in intelligent language the glory and the honor that was due to God. So the Lord said to the Lord, 'Let us make man to our image and to our likeness.' So out of the dust he made the man; out of the clay he fashioned him. Though man was to be the king of the earth he was himself to be the thing that was earthly, though he was to be the perfection of nature, he was to be a child of that nature. And when the perfect form stood before him, God loved him and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man, in the image of God became a living soul. Do you mark the love of God upon the favored creature? God in love lavished every care. Never since have the angels of God looked down on trees so green, on pools so limpid clear. There were pebbles of opal onyx, and emerald green. There were ferns and fruits and flowers. There was music in the air, perfume in the breeze, joy and gladness everywhere. But amid it all MAN SINNED. Yea, stood up between heaven and earth and, hurled back into the face of the great creator his pledge of love and immortality. Yes, one day there was a big disturbance in the department of God's universe. A race had fallen. A world in ruins. Our moved the sense of the catastrophe. A world swinging out into darkness with its oceans and continents, its mountains and valleys, its islands and seas, and the great centrifugal and from it a groan reached heaven. Such a sound had never been heard there before. Plenty of sweet sounds but never an outcry of distress, never an echo of agony. Then the Prince (God's Son) arose from His throne and said: "I must stop that cry, I must hush that groan, I must fathom that abyss, I must redeem those nations." I fancy that hosts of angels surrounded him and implored him not to go; but "No," said the Prince, "I must be off, for that wreck of a world, so farewell ye cherubim, farewell beautiful city of light, I will come back bearing on my shoulders a ransomed world, but until this is done, I prefer earthly grief to heavenly acclimation, a cattle pen to a king's palace, frigid zones of earth to atmosphere of celestial radiance. Farewell, Farewell!" Ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor. Jesus left His home in heaven. He cast aside the robes of His Divinity and took on Himself the rags of our mortality, that He might redeem man that had sinned, that He might bring man back to God, for man is a native of Heaven, highborn and free. His natural yearnings not only binds him to the unseen world but links him to God. Sin alone may enslave him, but Jesus, the Prince came to set him free. This brings us to consider the golden text of the Bible, "For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish but have eternal life." Above everything let us be thankful for this wonderful gift of love, and let us look at the life of Jesus while among men, and behold his wonderful works that attest the fact that He was the Christ, and that He came to seek and to save the lost. Let us remember that with a thorn-pierced brow and with a cross upon His shoulders He climbed Calvary's rugged side, that some day we may tread the palaces of the sky. Let us remember and be thankful that He conquered for us and made it possible that we can look beyond the misty river of death and see the brightness of the future as the sun in Heaven. Then let us strive onward and upward, proving a blessing to humanity and an honor to God, with full assurance that that well performed in this life will receive the reward in eternity. In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus to you-ward.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

The Epworth League met last Sunday with an increased attendance and a very interesting program was rendered.

This Sunday will be a business meeting and the program will be as follows:

The Second Coming of Our Lord.—by leader.
Song: Revive Us Again.
Prayer—by leader.
Scripture reading: John 14:1-6.
Song: Onward Christian Soldiers.
Reading: The Tenth Man.
Symbology: The Lord's Prayer—by Clifford Brown.
Sentence Prayers.
Song: (To be selected).
Benediction.

Come to the League, watch us grow and help us to make it a success. Bring a friend and be there at 6:00 o'clock sharp Sunday afternoon.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor, W. B. Andrews, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. The board of stewards will be installed at the 11 o'clock service and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered at that hour also.

Sunday School at 9:45 and Intermediate League at 6 o'clock.

A study of John's Gospel in the prayer meeting Wednesday evening is proving most profitable.

The new pastor hopes to greet all his members at the services today.

Salvation Army Drive Will Start Tomorrow Morn.

At the meeting of the executive board of the Salvation Army, held Friday night at the home of the president, Jesse McLendon, there was a good attendance of the members of the board, and it was decided to put on the drive for the Salvation Army fund Monday, December 3rd.

A quick canvass will be made of the city and the response should be prompt and liberal and get the matter out of the way before the holiday rush of business comes on.

This is a worthy cause and should and no doubt will, be carried to a successful close, and promptly.

HOME AGAIN

Rev. W. B. Andrews has been under going repairs in a hospital in Waco the past week. He returned home Friday night and states that he is ready for another year of hard work, and faithful service in the religious welfare of Mexia.

The board of Stewards, through the chairman, N. Hollingsworth, wired a message of love and sympath to the sick room of the pastor on Thanksgiving Day, and that helped much to relieve the tedium and home sickness.

Mr. Andrews will fill his pulpit at both hours today.

Miss Lessie Spearman has as her visitors for the week-end her two sisters, Misses Clara and Mary Spearman, who are attending Baylor U. at Waco.

The Call Of Bob White

Across the horizon of one December morn there came a call—

Father: "I hear some one whistling. Wonder who it could be?"

Son: "Oh, dad, that is the call of the Bob White. And this is the first of December. Gee! Let's go hunting!"

Father: "We haven't any guns or ammunition."

Son: "I know where you can get them! Go down to W. [illegible]'s Hardware and they have guns to sell and [illegible] good U. S. C. ammunition—yes, [illegible] so that we may be [illegible] for anyone."

Christmas is Near

Now that there are only nineteen shopping days till Christmas—every one is confronted with the problem of selecting "Christmas Gifts". It is a problem which is very difficult for some to solve. Our store is being so arranged that you will find it very convenient to select just the gift you want and at prices which will be within your means.

Just a Few Suggestions

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ONE DARK night last year a small auto truck was driven into the alley behind the Philadelphia branch of the largest manufacturers of automobile ignition locks in the country. There was a quick manipulation of keys, handled expertly, and a back door of the establishment was open. A large folded sheet of cardboard was handed from the car and taken inside.

The cardboard, when unfolded, was an exact reproduction of the safe which stood under lights in plain view of the front window. It was but the work of seconds to set it up as a screen in front of the safe, and a safe cracker went to work on the combination in comparative security from interruption. In the meantime his companions unbolted a machine weighing hundreds of pounds from its moorings in the dark recesses at the back of the shop, and carried it out to their truck.

There was an almost unnoticeable explosion as the safe, which had proved stubborn, was blown, a hasty sorting of its contents; and the crackesman, disregarding apparent valuables, carried a heavy volume out to the car, which was driven rapidly away.

Thus was perpetrated one of the most daring and disturbing robberies in the history of American crime.

Missing a Rich Haul

It was aimed at no petty loot, such as two or three million dollars in bonds or currency. It was intended to place at the mercy of the criminal element of the country automobiles with a value of hundreds of millions of dollars.

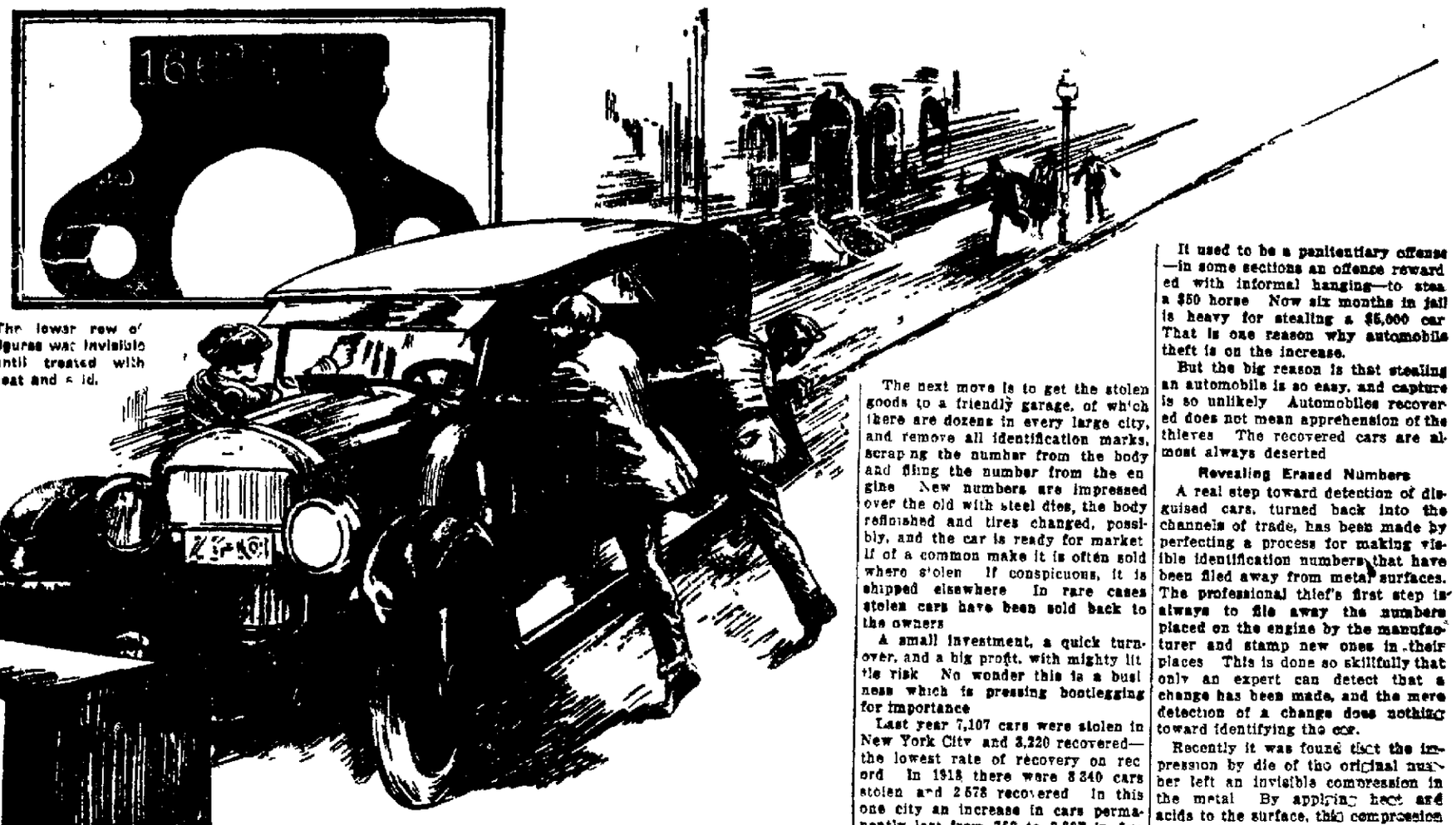
The machine stolen was one of a half dozen in the United States used in making keys to the ignition locks on 30 per cent of the high grade automobiles manufactured. The book sought in the safe contained the code letters and numbers of each of these locks. Simply by looking at the number on the lock of any of these cars, and tracing down that number in the code book, keys duplicating the owner's could be manufactured.

Possession of these keys would not only make the actual stealing of these cars more simple, but would aid the organized bands of thieves greatly in disposing of stolen cars without suspicion.

The whole ingenious plot, to which the best brains of the criminal profession had evidently been dedicated, failed because a clerk in the ignition lock establishment disobeyed orders. Strict instructions had been issued that the code book, with its almost incalculable value, should always be locked in the safe when not in use. The safe had been locked for the night when this clerk, working late, went to put it back. Fearful of a reprimand for not having replaced it earlier, he did not telephone one of the heads of the establishment to return and open the safe, but trusted to luck to get it back next day without observation, and tucked it on a high shelf. Luck was not only with him, but with the establishment and the country's automobile owners. The "code book" which the thieves blew open the safe to obtain turned out to be an accessory catalogue.

The key-making machine has never been recovered, but it is useless without the book. The thieves mailed the catalogue back with a polite note of regret.

The failure of this gigantic plot did not prevent thieves stealing $100,000,000 worth of automobiles in the United States last year, according to a careful computation made by the statistical department of the Aetna Life Insurance Company,—a figure which is increasing at a rate which staggers the imagination.



The lower row of figures was invisible until treated with heat and acid.

Motor Theft Growing

The police despite splendid efforts, are unable to cope with the situation. Automobiles, and those who acquire them by other than lawful means are increasing out of all proportion to the increase in police departments. As the number of cars which each policeman must guard grows larger, the number of stolen mounts and the percentage recovered dwindles.

There has been a tenfold increase in automobiles in ten years. This year will see 3,506,000 automobiles manufactured. As compared to such growth, police departments are almost stationary.

"If you leave your bank roll leaning against the curb, somebody's going to pinch it," is a summary of the situation by a thief now in a New York State prison, who stole $2,000,000 worth of cars during 30 years of operation. He boasts that there is no type of lock or safety device which he has not ed. He admits a preference for cars not locked—and there are plenty left that way—but made it a point to foil all of the locksmiths during his career just as a matter of professional pride.

Laugh at Locksmiths

Gasoline feed pipe locks, steering wheel locks, chained wheels, transmission locks—they are all pie to the experienced man, he avers. When he took a fancy to a particular car, protected by half a dozen or so assorted locks, his crew of huskies drew along side with truck and trailer, like any honest working men, and trundled the "disabled" prize away under the eyes of the law. He did it once too often, but it worked for 20 years.

The next move is to get the stolen goods to a friendly garage, of which there are dozens in every large city, and remove all identification marks, scraping the number from the body and filing the number from the engine. New numbers are impressed over the old with steel dies, the body refinished and tires changed, possibly, and the car is ready for market. If of a common make it is often sold where stolen. If conspicuous, it is shipped elsewhere. In rare cases stolen cars have been sold back to the owners.

A small investment, a quick turnover, and a big profit, with mighty little risk. No wonder this is a business which is pressing bootlegging for importance.

Last year 7,107 cars were stolen in New York City and 3,220 recovered—the lowest rate of recovery on record. In 1918 there were 8,340 cars stolen and 2,578 recovered. In this one city an increase in cars permanently lost from 762 to 3,887 in five years. These figures are in the possession of the Aetna Life Insurance Company.

Borrowing Cars for Banditry

These cars permanently lost were the grist of the professional thieving organizations. They are traveling other streets in altered guises. The cars recovered were largely "borrowed" for banditry or joyriding. Your up-to-date bandit seldom walks. He goes about his business in somebody else's gasoline buggy. In the fracas in which he engages his license number is frequently taken, and this clue is of course run down, leading to John Smith banker and church member. Smith's car is found by a cop, and usually the cause for worry.

It used to be a penitentiary offense—in some sections an offense rewarded with informal hanging—to steal a $50 horse. Now six months in jail is heavy for stealing a $5,000 car. That is one reason why automobile theft is on the increase.

But the big reason is that stealing an automobile is so easy, and capture is so unlikely. Automobiles recovered does not mean apprehension of the thieves. The recovered cars are almost always deserted.

Revealing Erased Numbers

A real step toward detection of disguised cars, turned back into the channels of trade, has been made by perfecting a process for making visible identification numbers that have been filed away from metal surfaces. The professional thief's first step is always to file away the numbers placed on the engine by the manufacturer and stamp new ones in their places. This is done so skillfully that only an expert can detect that a change has been made, and the mere detection of a change does nothing toward identifying the car.

Recently it was found that the impression by die of the original number left an invisible compression in the metal. By applying heat and acids to the surface, this compression was made visible in the form of the original figures. By use of this method the surest safeguard of the thief has been removed, and although the method has only recently come into use hundreds of cars have already been identified and returned to their owners.

The pedigree of a used car should always be traced by the prospective buyer. The man selling the car may be honest, but one or two steps back of him a thief may lurk.

Bringing to justice the men who are getting rich in this business is the duty of every citizen. The police can't do it all. They have too much else to do. The first step is for the driver—the car owner—to be as careful as the thief.

Aggravated Assault Cases To Be Carried to Limestone County Court

A Johnson is under bond on two cases of aggrevated assault, each of which is $500, according to Justice of the Peace Osborne Kennedy. He is alleged to have attacked Mr. and Mrs Fred Steinmetz while the couple were returning to their home about 9 00 o'clock Friday night. The matter was carried before Justice Court Saturday morning and transferred to the Limestone county court.

Topeka Officials Have Proverbial Animal On Hands

TOPEKA, Kans., Dec 1—A white elephant is nothing compared to a ten room frame house which Topeka city officials have on their hands.

Four weeks ago Mrs C Werth obtained a city license to move the large frame house six blocks. When the movers got the building into the middle of Topeka boulevard, lined with the city's finest residences, they found it would not go under electric cables.

Mrs. Worth was told to remove the roof. She refused and waved her permit saying she had the license and it was up to the city to clear the way.

While court action has been taking its slow time, the house has remained in the center of the boulevard obstructing traffic. Indications today were that Mrs. Werth had won and the city will have to spend $2,000 to cut the cables.

Bob and Cole Summers of the Kirvin community, both well known to old timers here, were in town Saturday and paid our office a friendly visit.

"Too Clean" Pots Waste Fuel, Say Scientists

NEW YORK, Dec 1—Housewives should not keep their pots and kettles too clean, declare the home economics scientists at Columbia University, or they will waste fuel. The instructions apply to the outside bottoms of the utensils and not to the inside.

The results of a long series of accurate experiments made on ordinary cooking utensils in the physics laboratories of Teachers College, Columbia, by Prof F F Good prove that utensils which have been "broken in" so that their bottoms are rough and smudged use less fuel than new utensils. The average efficiency of aluminum utensils when new was 38 6 and of enameled wear was 44 0—that is the enameled wear was about 11 per cent more efficient. After blackening the bottom the efficiency of enameld ware went up as high as 44 7.

BLOODED ANIMALS AT EXPOSITION

CHICAGO Dec 1—Approximately 11 000 blooded animals were on display as the International Live Stock Exposition opened. Thirty states and four Canadian provinces entered animals.

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Bonham Rotarians To Loan Funds To Worthy Students

BONHAM, Texas, Dec 1—Deserving Bonham students can now attend college whether they are financially able or not.

The local Rotary club has established a student loan fund from which students may borrow money enough to complete their education.

Perference will be given students who are just entering and need a start and those who have paid part of their way through and need additional funds to complete their course.

To secure aid for a high school education, the student must attend a Bonham school.

Contributions are accepted from Rotary Club members only and must be voluntary.

"THE BAT" IS FLYING THIS WAY AT OPERA HOUSE DEC 8, MAT. AND NIGHT

"The Bat", one of the most spectacular successes ever presented on the American stage, will be seen at the Opera House—on Saturday matinee and night December 8th. This great mystery play which has thrilled the whole world, needs little, if any, introduction to theatre goers. It is undoubtedly the most talked of play ever produced in this country. It is the one play that has been seen over and over by the same persons.

"The Bat" was written by Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood. Although both of its author have earned undying fame in the world of letters it is in no way disparaging to the other things they have done to say that "The Bat" is the greatest piece of writing ever to come from their pens.

Produced under the able manage ment of Wagenhals and Kemper, than whom there are no more successful theatrical managers in the country, "The Bat" has swept thru the country, scoring phenomenal successes in cities of every size. It is the one play that beyond question has sounded a universal note. It appeals to all classes, to men and women, to young and old alike.

Nothing tells the success of "The Bat" better than the actual record of what it has achieved in the theater. It was played for more than two years in New York, for more than a year in Chicago, for one entire season in London, Boston and Philadelphia each and in every city in the United States today holds the record of the theatre at which it was presented for gross box office receipts. It has been seen by more than 6,000,000 persons and has turned in over $9 000 000 in earnings to its owners. No play can even approach this record for the comparatively brief time "The Bat" has been playing.

The presentation of "The Bat" here is a distinct treat for theatregoers. Those who are willing to take a word of advice will be prompt in securing their seats.

ANOTHER KILLED AT R R CROSSING

COMMERCE, Texas Dec 1—W W Sparks, 25, was killed when his automobile was struck at a grade crossing by a Texas Midland motor car. His wife and one child survive him.

England's Queen Mother 79 And Greatly Honored

LONDON, Dec. 1—Queen Mother Alexandra, long the best loved of all British royalties, celebrated her 79th birthday here today.

An endless stream of callers, headed by the Danish Minister, tendered official and personal homage to the "Sea King's daughter from over the sea," as Tennyson wrote many years ago.

From the moment of her landing in England to marry the late King Edward in 1863, the Danish Princess won all hearts.

King George will give a private family banquet in honor of his mother tonight.

Flags were flown on Government buildings and salutes fired in honor of the anniversary today.

It did not take long for some folks to take advantage of the Special Year-end offer now being made by Jean Ormsby, City Circulator of the Mexia Daily News. Folks realizing they did not have to wait until the first of 1924 to get the $5.00 offer, put subscribe now and get the rest of 1923—and all of 1924. This is no doubt the most generous price cutting ever permitted on a subscription to be delivered by carrier.

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Southern Tariff Congress Meets December 7th

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 2.—The Southern Tariff Congress, which convenes here December 7th has assumed national proportion with the announcement from the Western Tariff Association, with headquarters in Salt Lake City, and Midwest Tariff Association, now in process of formation, that these two organizations would be represented at the Congress here.

The decision of these two organizations to affiliate with the Southern body united the three principal raw material producing sections of the Nation into an organized unit, which is expected to prove a powerful combination of industrial strength in securing and maintaining tariff rates suited to the needs of productive industries.

The co-ordinated interests will fight to retain the vegetable oil schedule of the present tariff law.

Telegrams received at headquarters of the Southern Congress today said that W. F. McClure, head of the recently organized Western Tariff Association, and W. S. Weston, of Omaha, Chairman of the Midwest Tariff Association, now forming, would be in Chattanooga December 7 to attend the Tariff Congress to aid in the formation of a program of action that will unite and cement the producing interests of the nation.

The three tariff organizations represent more than 35 producing states of the nation.

Bankers of the South, conscious of the fact that the reopening of the vegetable oil schedule by the Tariff Commission, is a serious menace to the farming interest of the South, also have joined in aid of the fight the Congress is making for Southern producers, by sending checks to Congress headquarters to aid of the campaign against the tariff reduction. C. C. Nottingham of the First National Bank of Chattanooga, is treasurer for the Congress.

Banking associations all over the South will be represented at the Chattanooga meeting. In rallying to the support of the attacked producers the banking interests, according to Congress officials, have shown they appreciate that the welfare of the South is linked up with the prosperity of southern farmers.

Congress officials say that a concerted effort is being made in Washington by powerful, organized, selfish commercial interests who are the purchasers of the South's raw products, to destroy the present schedules of the principal products of the South. The meeting is to plan a defense and solicit the sympahty and sentiment of southern industry.

The banker, according to a letter from Robert E. Wait of Little Rock, President of the Arkansas Bankers Association, is more capable of quickly grasping the significance of a sudden deflation in prices and to visualize the panic that would follow if the hopes and aspiration of the powerful interests antagonistic to the farmers succeed in carrying out their program.

THAD McCLAIN WILDCAT DRILLING IN

The Thad McClain No. 1 Green 4 miles east of Teague on the J. Lawrence survey is drilling in. After the cement had been drilled through a strong gas pressure was in evidence and about two feet of new hole made. Saturday the bailing line was being rigged up preparatory to commencing bailing. By Sunday the effort to bring in this wildcat will be in full blast and, if evidence is to be a forerunner this well should be a corker as considerable gas was noted when the plug was drilled.

PAUL COHN.

When Winter Comes

By BEN B HUNT

December urges Autumn out,
And Winter starts today;
With speeding wings Time rushes on
Upon his eager way.
Oh who should say his heart is glad
That Time is rushing by?
And still, within I must confess,
A happy heart have I!

So many things I'm thankful for
Upon this winter day,
I'd like to sing a happy song
To folks along the way.
I'd like for all the world to know
That in my wayward heart
I can't ignore the tender love
His mercy doth impart.

I cannot say that all the way
I've wandered thru the year
Has been devoid of sorrow or
Without a single tear;
I cannot claim that all the things
For which I've knelt and pray'd
Have been among the many gifts
Around my door He's laid.

And still, the Lord's been awful good
And always near my side;
He's carried safely my frail bark
Upon the rushing tide.
He's given me a happy home
And three square meals a day;
He's made life seem a tender dream
Instead of bleak and gray!

COSTELLO-BLODGETT

Miss Lenora Blodgett, a popular and lovely young lady of this city, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Blodgett Friday morning at 8:30 became the bride of Mr. Thomas J. Costello of Corsicana. The happy affair was consumated at the St. Mary's Catholic church on North Bonham, Father Joseph Kelley, minister. They left for a two weeks honey moon to San Antonio, Houston and other South Texas points, making the trip in automobile. After December the 15th, they will be at home in Corsicana. The host of friends of the charming young lady and this splendid young man wish for them a full measure of life's joys as they pass this way. Congratulations are extended them.

MULES RUN WILD IN THE CEMETERY

Further disregard of the proper respect to the dead is said to be in evidence now frequently by parties allowing mules to run wild in the City Cemetery. It is said the animals knock over monuments and trample up flowers in a most shameful manner. The subject has aroused the comment of many interested in the upkeep of the sacred spot.

The News was glad to see Rev. W. B. Andrews able to be out Saturday after being ill for several days.

NANSEN, HERE ON LECTURE TOUR, PLEADS AID FOR GREEK REFUGEES

Top—Loading refugees on barges at Mitylene as a part of the exchange of populations between Greece and Turkey affecting 500,000 people and supervised by American Near East Relief Workers. And, below, Dr. Nansen signing his Golden Rule Day pledge and a reproduction of the pledge card.

Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, famous scientist and arctic explorer who, in 1895, came within a few degrees of reaching the North Pole on foot, arrived in New York recently and is touring the United States, as head of the International Relief Commission of the League of Nations, in an effort to raise money for the Greek refugees from Asia Minor who have found shelter in Thrace, but face starvation before their first crops can be raised.

Immediately on his arrival in New York, Dr. Nansen made a plea in behalf of the Near East Relief, the only American relief organization now operating in Greece, to continue and extend its work on behalf of the destitute refugees, and himself signed a pledge to observe Sunday, Dec. 23 as "International Golden Rule Days when people all over the world are asked to practice a bit of self-denial, such as eating one meal of refugee orphans' rations, in order to make a contribution for Near East relief work.

Cason Begins His Work at Riddle's

Jere Cason severed his relations with the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company Friday, assuming his new relations with the J. I. Riddle Undertaking Company on the first of December which was Saturday.

Mr. Cason has resided in Mexia for the past year, during which time he has made many friends and worked to give Mexia the best possible telephone service, being manager for the company here, at Teague, Wortham and Thornton.

He resigned several weeks ago in order to become a part of the J. I. Riddle and Company, furniture dealers and undertakers. Mr. Cason is a man easily met, is by nature an optimist and booster, and will prove a valuable assistant to Mr. Riddle both on the outside and on the inside of the big establishment.

He is succeeded in the Telephone Company by R. J. Covington of Breckenridge.

Melancholy Days Of Sport Strike The Sport World

By FRANK GETTY
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Those melancholy days are upon us when from the realms of sport we get—words, not deeds.

As football fades from the picture, having achieved a success that practically obliterated from these pages the other branches of athletic activity the insatiable sports lover looks around to see what's next.

Regretfully it must be recorded that in practically every line of endeavor there is a period of pernicious inactivity.

About the leading event under way appears to be a free for all for press agents. From these we glean our week-end sports gossip, somewat as follows:

Boxing.

Senor Luis Firpo, in far off Buenos Aires where he has blossomed as a coal and auto merchant, reiterated today in a cable to the United Press he really has signed for a bout with Harry Wills May 5th. Firpo claims to have a contract with Tex Rickard in writing and to be forwarding same today. Here in New York, the "Black Panther" and his manager, Paddy Mullins professes to know nothing of it. Mullins, who a short time ago was shouting about wanting to match Harry with anyone, now doesn't want to meet Firpo if he can help it, hoping Dempsey will weaken and give Wills a chance at the title.

Baseball.

The wood is crackling briskly in the winter stove league, amid talk of trades that will deprive St. Louis, Mo., of its ablest performers in both leagues. Several league clubs are offering the local town halls for Urban Shocker while as many national mannuates are pawning the family "jools" for a determined attempt to land Rogers Hornsby.

Rex J. Forrest left Friday for Temple where his wife is undergoing an operation.

DEMONSTRATION HOME GOING UP RAPIDLY

The Hughes Demonstration Home being built under the direction of The News Publishing Company continues to attract many to its rising walls every day. The house is being built rapidly, Oscar Denning, contractor, and the Neece Lumber Company cooperating in detail in the work and also in informing the public in regard to every item about the home. "It is to be a very nice place when completed," said W. K. Boyd of the News Saturday. "In fact, I would be glad to reside in such a home and the more homes like that in Mexia, the core certain are we to develop into a better and bigger Mexia," he added.

The building is located on a lot just off of Ross Avenue on East Main. Another new home is going up just around the corner on Ross and the large two story residence on the corner will be moved at an early date. It is likely that a fine new home will be built at once on the corner, attesting the good judgment of The News in selecting the location.

SALVATION ARMY

ed to come and help. At 9 o'clock the morning, Monday, at Jesse Tendon's office, the committees, who will assist, men and women, meet; from which place they will out to make a canvass of the ent city.

Every citizen is urged to be re for the committee and respond pron ly and as generously as possible order to make quick work of the m ter and to carry it to success.

Jess McLendon, chairman of t directors, said late Saturday that looked like the campaign would conducted to a successful conclusion a very few hours and issued an sistent call for workers to meet in office Monday morning for the wo of the day, which Mexia is to take ca of her charity, which no people c afford to neglect. Mr. McLendon h given much time to the work and h as with many others are interested its success.

A Christmas Bazaar is announce for Monday and Tuesday, which w be held in the Smith Building. Th ladies conducting the Bazaar will a preciate the patronage of the pu lic in its success.

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PATTERSON'S COLUMN

YESTERDAY I paid my landlord
* * * *
FOR THE past year his
* * * *
LAST MONTH'S rent and
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SURRENDERED MY lease which
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WILL END December 31st
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AND A certain
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BIT OF homesickness came
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OVER ME—a certain feeling
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OF REGRET at leaving his
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NOT AGREE on rentals we
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HAVE NEVER disagreed upon
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ANY OTHER thing
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SCRUPULOUSLY HONEST and
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CONSCIENTIOUS GENTLEMEN
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AND MEN of such character
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SQUARE DEALING he believes
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TO SETTLE for nine
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COME ON here for the
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UP THE bargains I have to
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OFFER WHICH are many
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IN FACT I want you to look
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EVERYWHERE then come here
* * * *
AND TELL me honestly
* * * *
WHAT YOU think of my
* * * *
STOCK AND prices
* * * *
I THANK you

—PATTERSON.

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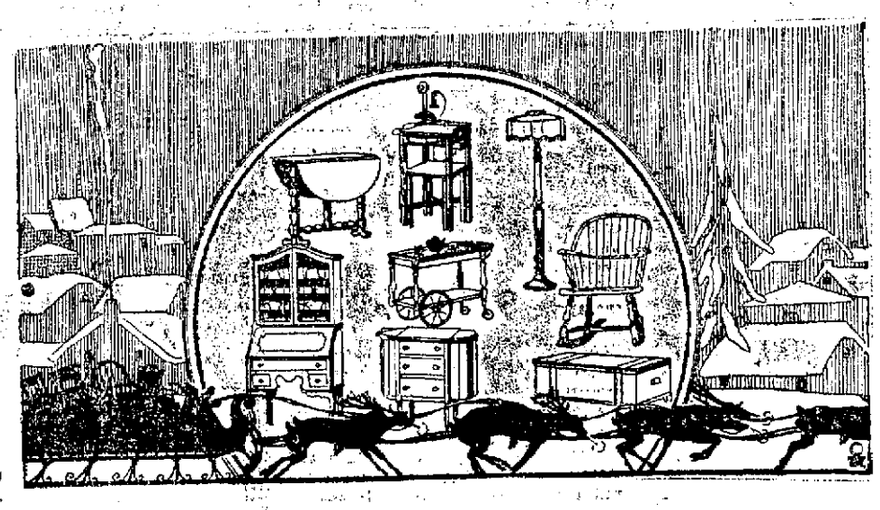

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HOME DRESSMAKING

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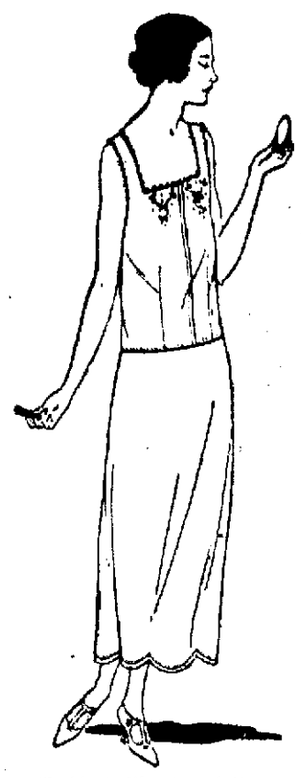
Combination Petticoat and Underbodice



Fashion's Fine Foundation

A frock must go forth in the world fundamentally correct, therefore emphasis is placed on what is worn underneath. This combination petticoat and underbodice is an unusually interesting bit of underwear.

Without the preliminary of assuring the home dressmaker that she may duplicate this model in many materials, emphasis is going to be placed on the fact that the purpose of this combination is to give the proper foundation to the season's frocks. The lower edge of the petticoat is finished in scallops that are bound with self-material, while the underbodice, with square neck, is trimmed with lace and hand embroidery.

The bodice is made with seams that are felled, as shown in Figure I. First, make a plain seam on the under side of the bodice, then trim to a narrow edge on one side of the seam, leaving the other side ⅜ of an inch wide. Make a narrow underturning on the untrimmed or ¾-inch edge, making the turning toward the narrow trimmed edge. Lay the work flat on the table, crease or press the

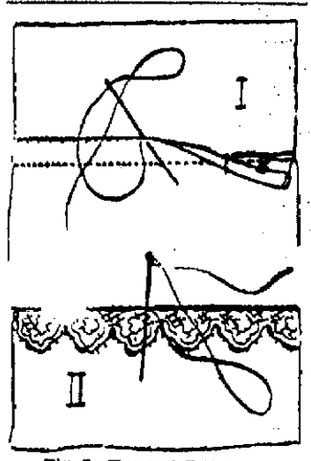


Fig. I—Hemmed Fell Seam
Fig. II—Overhanding Lace

wide turned edge over the trimmed edge, baste down carefully and finish with hemming-stitches.

Figure II shows how to overhand lace to the edge of the neck and armholes. Hold the edges of the lace and hem together and whip through every mesh of the lace. If the meshes are skipped now and then, the effect of the finished work will not be even.

HOME DRESSMAKING

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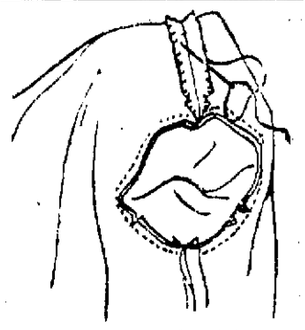
A Two-Piece Slip-on Dress for Misses

Where Braid Wins Its Stripes

So many clever things are done with braid this season that the woman seeking something different will welcome this arrangement of the trimming on a two-piece frock of navy Foiret twill.

One of the great dressmakers of Paris takes the simple straight-line, slip-on frock and treats it so cleverly that it does not really seem a part of the modes with which we are already familiar. The skirt is outlined with bias folds of silk, which form a panel down the front and trims the scalloped lower edges. Then the waist is stitched with fine soutache braid in odd design to represent one of the unique Oriental borders that one sees in pictures from the Far East. The braid may be in light tan, pale green, dark green and yellow. Or, for the conservative taste, the braid may be in one color or, at the most, in two colors, both subdued.

The diagram shows a simple and quick way to finish the shoulder and side seams. They are simply pressed open after stitches, then overcast. If preferred, the edges may be turned in, but this depends largely upon the material. In putting in the sleeve, the center of the top of the sleeve should be matched with the shoulder



Shoulder Seam Opened and Overcast

seam, and the seam of the sleeve made even with the underarm seam.

This dress has many possibilities and appeals especially to the woman who devotes a part of her wardrobe to sports attire. The sleeves and collar may be positively daring, if the costume is reserved for the country club or golf course.

If developed in striped velours it would make an exceedingly practical winter frock for wear under a wrap devoid of fur.

"THE BAT" IS FLYING THIS WAY AT OPERA HOUSE DEC. 8, MAT. AND NIGHT.

"The Bat", one of the most spectacular successes ever presented on the American stage, will be seen at the Opera House—on Saturday matinee and night December 8th. This great mystery play which has thrilled the whole world, needs little, if any, introduction to theatre-goers. It is undoubtedly the most talked of play ever produced in this country. It is the one play that has been seen over and over by the same persons.

"The Bat" was written by Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood. Although both of its authors have earned undying fame in the world of letters it is in no way disparaging to the other things they have done to say that "The Bat" is the greatest piece of writing ever to come from their pens.

Produced under the able management of Wagenhals and Kemper (an whom there are no more successful theatrical managers in the country, "The Bat" has swept thru the country, scoring phenomenal successes in cities of every size. It is the one play that beyond question has sounded a universal note. It appeals to all classes; to men and women; to young and old alike.

Nothing tells the success of "The Bat" better than the actual record of what it has achieved in the theater. It was played for more than two years in New York; for more than a year in Chicago; for one entire season in London, Boston and Philadelphia each and in every city in the United States today holds the record of the theatre at which it was presented for gross box office receipts. It has been seen by more than 6,000,000 persons and has turned in over $9,000,000 in earnings to its owners. No play can even approach this record for the comparatively brief time "The Bat" has been playing.

The presentation of "The Bat" here is a distinct treat for theatre-goers. Those who are willing to take a word of advice will be prompt in securing their seats.

MEXIA ELKS TO HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICES TODAY

The Mexia lodge No. 1449 B. P. O. Elks, will hold their memorial service in the lodge rooms, at the Home on North Sherman street Sunday afternoon, 2:30 p. m.

This custom is observed throughout the order on the first Sunday in December, of each year.

Mexia lodge has only lost two members since it was instituted, those being Wallace Hampton of Teague, Texas, and Joe W. Oden of Cushing, Oklahoma.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL

Sunday School Lesson

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LESSON FOR DECEMBER 2

THE POWER OF THE EARLY CHURCH

LESSON TEXT—Acts 2:1-4, 37-42.

GOLDEN TEXT—"Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."—Acts 2:21.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Peter Telling About Jesus.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Three Thousand Converted in One Day.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—A Brave Preacher and a Great Revival.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Source of Missionary Power.

The power of the early church was the Holy Spirit. This same Spirit has been the power of the church in all ages. The watchword of God's mightiest men throughout the centuries has been, "Not by might nor by power, but by my spirit saith the Lord of Hosts." (Zech. 4:6.) The mightiest forces in the world are spiritual.

I. The Coming of the Spirit (Acts 2:1-4.

1. Time Of (v. 1). It was on the day of Pentecost. "Day of Pentecost" means the feast which was held fifty days after the wave sheaf was offered (Lev. 23:15-16). It was observed by presenting two loaves made of the new wheat (Lev. 23:17). These loaves were baked with leaven, while leaven was excluded from the Passover feast (Lev. 23:6). The reason was that the Passover feast typified Christ's sacrifice, while Pentecost represented the church, composed of Jews and Gentiles—the two loaves. Christ had no sin in Him while the men and women composing the church have sin in them.

The feast of Pentecost in a figurative sense still continues, for the body of Christ is not yet complete. Pentecost was a most fitting time for the coming of the Spirit.

2. Upon Whom the Spirit Came (v. 1; cf. 1:13-15).

The twelve and others to the number of 120. The coming of the Spirit was not merely for the twelve but for all believers—members of the body of Christ. They were in "one place, with one accord" waiting for the fulfillment of "Father's promise" (Luke 24:49). With a group of believers thus with eyes fixed upon Christ in expectation of the fulfillment of His promises, wonderful blessings are sure to come. If the church would be with one accord in one place wonderful blessings would come still.

II. The Marks of the Spirit (vv. 2-4.)

These marks were external and internal.

I. External.

(1) The Sound of a Mighty Wind. There was no wind—only the sound thereof. This suggests the all-pervasive life-giving influence of the Holy Spirit.

(2. Tongues of Flame. Each of the 120 was crowned with such a tongue. The tongues show the practical purpose of the Spirit's gifts, and the fire indicates His purifying energy, purging the dross and making fit witnesses for Him.

(3) Speaking in Foreign Tongues. For these humble Galileans to thus speak caused great amazement.

2. Internal.

This is seen in the transformation wrought in the disciples. They have great courage and self-possession. Peter, who a little while before was cowering before a Jewish maid, now with lion boldness stood before the thousands of Jerusalem and a little later before the chief rulers of the city and declared that they had murdered their King.

III. The Converting Power of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:37-42).

Many people were convicted of their sins—about three thousand repented and were baptized. This revival was real because:

1. They continued steadfast in the apostles' teaching. They did not grow cold or run after every fad that came along. This is the real test of conversion.

2. They continued in fellowship with the apostles. The surest way to grow is to keep in fellowship with Christians. Death is sure to follow the neglect of the fellowship of the brethren in Christ.

3. In using the means of grace. "In the breaking of bread," God has instituted ordinances in His house and those who are genuinely converted will avail themselves of their use.

4. In prayer the apostolic church was a praying church. The Christian life cannot be lived without prayer.

Good Deeds.

The influence of a good deed is great upon the world, but the reflex influence upon the doer is a priceless thing. —Gospel Banner.

False Prophets.

False prophets and teachers have ever been speakers of pleasing words and glorifiers of the conditions of their times. Thus only can they hope to secure popularity, ease, and the other things they are after.

Insufficient for That Day.

I have been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go. My own wisdom and that of all about me seemed insufficient for that day.—Lincoln.

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THE WEATHER

East Texas—Sunday unsettled, probably local rains; colder in the northwest.

West Texas—Sunday unsettled, probably rain or snow in north and rain in southeast. Colder Sunday.

METHODIST LADIES PLAN BAZAAR FOR PIPE ORGAN FUND

Thursda, December 6th is to be a great gala day for the Womans Missionary Society of the Methodist church and their friends. The time will be 2o'clock in the afternoon. The place the McDonald building on McKinney street, adjoining Stewart Auto Supply.

This is the occasion of our Annual Bazaar for the benefit, this year of our pipe organ which is soon to be installed. This will be a good place to buy our Christmas gifts. Under the management of Mrs. J. L. Smith you will find a coterie of saleslaadies eager and anxious to assist you in your selections of fancy work.

Mrs. John R. Corley will have charge of the apron booth and here you will find the always practical and useful garments as well as the dainty ones.

The "Sweet Booth" will be presided over by Mrs. Horace Stevens and a bevy of courteous young women and you will not fail to be attracted to this department.

Our baby booth which is always so attractive and beautiful will be under the direction of Mrs. Blake Forrest. Her helpers have been busy making articles and needless to say you will find anything you desire in this line.

We have added a new department this year which is proving quite popular and Mrs. E. T. Meales is chairman of our Market. Here you will find dressed chickens, home made cakes, bread, yard eggs, and fresh butter, in fact you will be charmed with this department.

Mrs. John Sweatt assisted by our attractive young matrons and young ladies will be delighted to serve you with a tempting and delicious lunch of home made chili and other good things. By no means do we intend to forget the children. Mrs. Sam Cox is planning a surprise for each of them so be sure and bring them with you. If we have failed to get in touch with you and you are interested you can do no greater service than contribute cash or articles to be sold. Be sure your articles are sent to Mrs. Roy Bass, corner McKinney and Carthage streets by December 1st. If you can not send them phone one of our chairmen and a committee will call on you.

Remember the time and the place.

THE SYMPHONY CLUB

The club met at the home of Miss Marion Anderson on Saturday afternoon at three o'clock, November 24, 1923. The program read as follows:

Roll call.

Who were the Minne singers and what was their music like?—Marianna Murphy.

Describe the master singers, and name the most famous composer among them.—Martha Mitchell.

To what country does the Mazurka belong? the Gavotte? the Bolero? the Waltz? the Minuet? the Tarantella?—Miss Ledbetter.

What is a folk song? Name one belonging to Scotland, England, Italy, and America.—Margaret Yeldell.

Tell something of an old Italian violin maker and name three great violins of today.—Martha Riddle.

What is an opera? Describe the one at Handels.—Marion Anderson.

What instruments did the Egyptians use? What was the character of Egyptian music?—Alice Claire Winslow.

Mrs. Anderson rendered several solos which were enjoyed by the club. Sandwiches and hot chocolate were served and the club adjourned to meet again Saturday December 8, 1923.

Miss Ledbetter organized the Symphony Club several weeks ago. The first social meeting was a delightful one with Miss Dorothy Brown as hostess.

Emma Jean Smith, Reporter.

Wisconsin To Probe Charges of Drinking

MADISON, Wis., Nov. 29 (United Press.)—A campus row at the University of Wisconsin on the liquor question has reached the furthest confines of the State.

As a result of an editorial which appeared in the student paper calling the home-coming football game the "annual drunk," a flood of petitions and demands for investigations have poured into the administration offices at the university.

The student body has split into two factions. The women's organizations, seconded by the Y. M. C. A. and several church bodies, vigorously demand a probe. The rest of the students body say that there is no drinking "to speak of" at the university and ridicule the idea of an investigation.

Authorities are expected to make a strong demand for law enforcement and expulsions may follow a secret quiz now under way.

"We believe that the liquor question in the universities of the country has become a serious one," Dean of Men Scott H. Goodnight said. "And we further believe that only strong measures—expulsions and merciless publicity—will serve to eradicate this evil."

The Federal and State prohibition department in the State have taken a hand and following a series of raids have ordered eight "grog" shops, patronized by students, closed. One of these, the haunt of adventurous sophomores and juniors, has been locked by injunction of the local court for a year. Just prior to its closing several students were injured there in a near-riot.

Sad Day Arrives For Bootleggers Of "Windy City"

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 1.—Here's sad news for Chicago.

Izzy Einstein, noted prohibition sleuth, passed through Kansas City last night, Chicago bound.

He carried all of his various disguises and was ready for a strenuous campaign.

HOME DRESSMAKING

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Great Dress for Misses and Juniors

Pictorial Reproduction of French Model

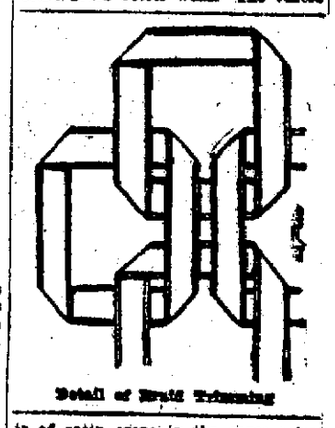
Paris went to the frozen steppes of Russia for inspiration for this coat-dress, hence it is developed in Russian green costume broadcloth and trimmed with black silk braid twisted into fanciful motifs.

A simple coat frock for street and general wear is one of the indispensable needs of a season, and the demand for service and style is simply but distinctively met in this model for girls and juniors. It calls for two yards of material 54 inches wide and 6 yards of braid.

The dress fastens at one side and is belted with a straight fold of self-material, secured under a colorful button at the left side. The black braid outlines the deep collar and forms fanciful motifs on the sleeves and lower front edge of the coat.

The braid motifs are exceedingly easy to make. There is no simpler plan than to first form the square on a background of thin canvas or lining material, then stitch the braid over it. Two motifs are placed side by side, vertically and horizontally on the surface to be covered. The last one to be placed into position is slipped under the others and the ends carefully stitched together with invisible stitches. If preferred, the entire motif may be made before it is appliqued to the coat.

Ribbon is just as effective as braid for trimming this coat-dress, but the braid gives better wear. The vestee



Detail of Braid Trimming

is of satin crepe in the same color as the braid. Or, for youthful wearers, it may be made of some of the lingerie materials.

Your Smallest Expense

Look over that sheaf of bills for last month—or for any month.

What did you buy that was worth as much to you or had as many uses—aselectric services?

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T. E. L. Class First Baptist Church Have Delightful Entertainment At the Church Last Tuesday Night

The Husbands and Sweethearts of the members of the T. E. L. Class were highly Honored by being invited, and entertained by the Class at a Social given by them on last Tuesday night at the Church.

At an early hour in the evening the ladies began to gather and get everything in readiness for the coming of the men, and promptly at seven-thirty, in the spacious halls and the reception rooms in the basement floor in the big new church, Miss Katherine McGrail, President of the Class called the crowd together where all participated in a lot of fun-making stunts and games.

Jess McLendon made for himself a reputation for speed, in a little contest where he and Mrs. W. D. Hight, each took a suit case that contained a few garments of clothing, ran across the hall, dressed in the garments in the case then back to the starting point, Mr. Jess won the race, but when he had gotten himself together after the swift movements, he found that he had a ladies apron put on up side down, and a sunbonnet with the tail in front.

After quite a bit of laughter and enjoyment in an old fashioned kid-like way, the scenery was abruptly changed by the throwing open of the wide doors leading into the dining room, where a long, long table was found beautifully decorated with a high embankment in the center of fruits and flowers, and otherwise filled with eats galore, where the cafeteria style was participated in, forming a long line each partook of the things that seemed to appeal to their respective appetites which could have been either cold sliced roast pork, cold roast beef, sliced white bread, pickles, celery, potato chips, after which Mrs. Vickers served delicious lemon pie, and Mrs. McKinney and Mrs. Huchingson, poured tea and coffee.

When the appetites of the jolly crowd had been satisfied, Mrs. Jess McLendon in her usual talented way acted as toast mistress of the evening.

First was a toast to our husbands and sweethearts, given by Miss McGrail, filled with a lot of wit and humor, which she always so pleasingly delights an audience with was greeted with high applause.

Mr. Pyatt then in his own modest way gave a toast to the wives.

Mrs. Paul B. Harper then delighted the crowd with a beautiful solo.

The T. E. L. Class, the Past and the Present, was beautifully told by Mrs. Ira Needham.

Little Miss Inez Calame, a daughter of the T. E. L. Class gave an Interesting reading.

Paul B. Harper, with a voice like a Nighting-Gale, then swelled forth the music of one of his favorite songs.

After this came the stunts of the evening.

Joe Jeffers rendered two musical numbers on the piano, accompanied by that famous Nose Trombone of his.

Mrs. Vickers, accompanied by Mrs. Needham at the piano, did a a beautiful solo—so low not even a sound could be heard.

It sometimes takes just a little home entertainment to discover the real talent of probably your next door neighbor. A lady who has lived in this town for fifteen years, one that nobody would suspect of doing herself glory on the stage but could you have seen Mrs. T. E. Day as she appeared dressed in a little school girl apron, with her hair in a long braid down her back, wearing high heel button shoes, and white hose, and heard her recite Mary's Little Lamb, you would readily declare, how did Tom ever keep her off the stage.

Barney Googles and Spark Plug could not be sketched by the most famous cartoonist, more natural than they were at this time, in the person of Mr. and Mrs. Will Wright, assisted by Little Alice Wright, who appeared as a little black faced boy, who had Spark Plug well under control.

W. E. McKinney proved quite a soloist as he rendered in his own feeble way the famous ballad Swing Low Sweet Chariot, when encored, "Mack" appeared on the scene again and said, I thank you folks, but there ain't no more to it, I have worked for an hour to learn that much.

Mrs. R. L. Maddox, Secretary of the Class then gave a toast, Good-Night, in this toast she brought out many good lessons, things that would be helpful to all, and the writer only regrets that we haven't a copy of this toast to give you here.

After this the crowd were all of one accord that the end of a perfect evening had come only too soon. But the men who were guests of this occasion, promise the ladies that they will not attempt to entertain them as royally as the ladies did on this occasion, but in the near future they will do their best to show their appreciation of this hospitality.—Reporter.

BUSINESS SESSION OF FRIDAY CLUB

The regular buiness session of the Friday Club was presided over by the President, Mrs. W. M. White, Friday afternoon at the library. It was announced that Mrs. Sam Cox had received a wire from Mrs. Lindsey at Wichita Falls, stating that the 3rd District Federation of Clubs had accepted the invitation of the Friday Club to meet here next April. Long before the time announced various committees will be busy planning for the entertainment of the some two or three hundred delegates who have expressed much enthusiasm over the opportunity to visit Mexia.

After the regular routine of business was taken up and disposed of by the club, Roll Call was answered with the name of a Biblical and Secular short story having the same theme.

A baeutiful program had been planned by Mrs. Ellington, the leader for the day. She gave a short tlak on studying the Bible in our Club and reading it in our schools.

Mrs. H. C. Freeman gave a number of short Bible stories portraying different types of character.

The story of Rebecca as a romance was read by Mrs. A. H. Berry.

All the interest of the members was centered in Mrs. Vickers as she told the beautiful story of Esther.

Mrs. Etchison then read a poem on Daniel.

Mrs. Oscar Donning told the story of Jeptha's daughter.

Mrs. Reynolds' subject was "A Modern Short Story". She selected the touching story, "Christmas Bread," by Kathleen Norris, which was very appropriate as she said in the beginning, "As soon as one holiday is over we naturally turn our minds to the next."

SWEARING BY CHRISTMAS

HOUSTON, Dec. 1.—Employes of Daniel Ripley & Co., steamship agents plan to profit by their miscues.

They have started a practice of 25 cents each time they swear. The money will be placed into a "social pot" to pay expenses of a Christmas entertainment.

And strange as it may seem, the fund is growing so slowly the date of the festival appears to be several weeks off.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible school at 9:45. If you are not a member of some Bible school we want you to visit us today.

Worship and preaching at 11. Every member of the church expected at this service. A cordial invitation to others. Christian Endeavor at 6:15. Come and enjoy this service with us.

Preaching at 7:00 p. m. The pastor promises to deliver a practical sermon at this hour that will be helpful and enjoyed by all.

G. T. REAVES, Minister.

WELL KNOWN LIMESTONE CITIZEN PASSES AWAY

Mrs. E. D. Carter, aged 47 years, died at her home northwest of Mexia—Tehuacana Valley—Friday afternoon at 2:30. The funeral was conducted Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock with interment in the Wortham cemetery. Deceased is survived by four sons, Ernest, Chas., Jodie and Henry Claude, her husband, Lige Carter, well known here having preceded her to the grave some few years ago.

To the bereaved ones we join their many friends in extending condolence and sympathy.

WITH THE EXES

Several of the ex-students of Mexia Hi who are home for the Turkey day celebration are: Allen Bryant, Griffin Thrift, Cecil Dunlap, and Herbert Murphy from A. & M. College at College Station.

Clyde Keeling and Jack Corley from Texas Military College at Terrell. They were accompanied home by Jimmie Locke whose father has recently moved here.

Steve Womack, Felix and Reuben Parker and Earl Anderson from Terrill Training School at Dallas. They were accompanied by Carroll Bennett who is attending Terrill.

Jack Womack and Ernest Watson from Rice Institute of Houston, Texas.

Leland Phillips from Baylor U. at Waco.

Clay and Janie Berry from Southwestern at Georgetown.

Miss Lucille Hoskins from Kidd-Key College at Sherman.

Misses Melba Petty and Dorothy Moore from S. M. U. of Dallas. Jack Simmons and Harold and Hugh Adamson from Allen Academy at Bryan.

Pola Negri in the Paramount Picture "The Spanish Dancer" A Herbert Brenon Production

At the National Theatre Monday.

To Hold One Big Christmas

ORANGE, Texas, Dec. 1.—Orange merchants and business men have sponsored a movement to inaugurate Christmas here with a formal Christmas opening, in which every Christmas celebration will be consolidated into one.

The opening will take place on the evening of December 20. Attractive Christmas goods will be displayed in the formal opening. Merchants will vie as to the claborate exhibition.

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Houston Post said: Repeats what the Dallas News said—"If there ever was a play on a par with 'The Bat' this generation has never seen it."

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THANKSGIVING

Dear reader, this is Wednesday, the day before Thanksgiving and what weather we have to celebrate that day with! The cold rain is falling slowly to the earth and the gale from the north is far from being comfortable. But why should we moan and groan about the weather when we can put on big coats and get out and enjoy the crisp November weather which makes us step lively to keep the old pep up within us.

Let us all be happy, no matter what we might have planned that was ruined by the intervention of Jupe Pluv, but all give thanks to the Giver for all His gifts to us through the year.

Some pessimist might say, "What have I to be thankful for?" Well, that question is a reminder that Barkus was right. As a people we all have had good health. What could we want more than to be able to romp and play, enjoy the freedom of the outdoor world; to be able to look for the many birds and animals that have been placed in the woods and on the prairies for our [illegible] have good eyes with which to view the landscape which is at this time turning brown and sere as Autumn comes by.

One of the greatest things for which we should be so proud of is our [illegible] we are at the present. We have enjoyed peace now while nations on the earth are wrangling and quarreling over some [illegible]. We have food, and plenty of it, and should be thankful that we do not have to stand in the bread line to avoid our small daily allowance. People in Europe, the people have very few good chickens and those they are wanting have been used several years and will do good service for perhaps as long a period. They have only the money with which to purchase the food that will barely keep [illegible] soul and body. They are unable to [illegible] of a fraternal band who [illegible] to help the oppressed. We can help and are helping the people of a free country. Now, Mr. Editor, why shouldn't we be thankful?

HE'S A SOUP

He [illegible] an M in football,
He's a knight,
He's a friend to all,
He's a sight,
He covers up his chin,
He [illegible] with a grin,
He's his team thru thick and thin,
He's a sport.

He's always on the square,
He's [illegible] to take a dare,
He's [illegible] bold and manly,
He's the [illegible] you knows,
He's found as true as Copper
He's [illegible]

He's [illegible]
He's [illegible]
He's [illegible]

Interesting Course in Home Economics

Heretofore very little has been said about what we consider the most important course in the school curriculum—clothing and applied design.

The aim of this course is to install in our minds the idea of how to dress most appropriately and becomingly on the smallest expenditure of money.

In the applied design class we study proper spacing of lines and spaces, color and color harmony, and the suitability of colors, and the line for different types. We design clothes for paper dolls of different types, thus determining which colors and styles are best suited to tall folks, short folks, fat folks, lean folks, dark folks and white folks.

Two of the most important things are the charcoal and enamalac work, out of which has developed several artists.

Wednesday afternoon the garments which we have made since the first of school were judged. The winners for the combination suits were, Sudie Hansen, Rudelle Patton, Vera Jane Lester and Buby Hitt. For the bloomers were, Opal Hale, Birdie Crider and Elizabeth Jones. For the home projects, Vera Jane Lester, Elizabeth Jones, and Ruby Hitt. For the slips was Rudelle Patton.

We wish to use this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation and regards to the judges, Mrs. Fred Bennett, Mrs. Huchingson and Miss McCravey.

In clothing class we are making some very attractive dresses and they will be judged in the same manner as the other garments.

We are trying hard to reach our goal and if we do not it will not be our fault.—Birdie Crider, II.

Miss Bess Parker and Mrs. J. A. Armstrong, instructors in the Home Economics and Domestic Economy classes, are in Fort Worth attending the teachers convention.

Miss Sadi Kirgan is spending the the week-end with her parents at Fairfield, having received word that her mother is ill.

GEREROUS GIFT IS RECEIVED FROM MISS McGRAIL

The student body and faculty of the High School take this opportunity to express their appreciation to Miss Katherine McGrail for the handsome bound complete set of Robert Louis Stevenson's works. The Atlas of the World, and Websters International Dictionary and stand.

A gift of this kind not only reflects the generosity of the giver but also the wisdom in the selection of the gift.

Louis McDonald, IV.

School Boys Home For Thanksgiving

Among the Mexia boys attending schools away from home the News man noted the folloing here for Thanksgiving:

Reuben Parker
Felix Parker
Harold Adamson
Ernest Watson
Jack Simmons
Jack Corley
Steve Womack
Jack Womack
Griffin Thrift
Cecil Danlap
Allen Bryant

And there may have been others.

Cafeteria patrons may expect something new in the way of tables next week. The long temporary counters will be replaced by well made and attractively finished green tables.

New Congress Is Fighting Ground For GOP Factions

(Special Correspondence)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Instead of a responsible majority, the Republicans in the Congress about to convene will be an aggregation of factions, opposing the President and fighting each other in behalf of their several candidates for the Republican nominations in 1924. In this competition for delegates, it is forecast, the Administration's legislative program, if it has one, may fail of adoption.

Already there are three Republican presidential candidates with followers in the new Congress—Mr. Coolidge, Hiram Johnson, and Gov. Pinchot. Senator Watson of Indiana, it is expected will make the fourth.

The struggle by these factions to gain political advantage for their respective candidates will begin, it is felt, with the attempt to organize the House of Representatives. All the cabals and coteries of the Republican party are represented in the House. They will all have to be consulted and placated somehow, since the margin by khich the Republicans exceed the Democratic strength is so small that no element can safely be ignored.

Most of the Republicans who deprecate President Coolidge's candidacy will have as an excuse for weakening him and helping their own favorites by joining the movement to "end control by New England"—the slogan of certain Republicans from the Middle West.

Senator Hiram Johnson's following among the dissenters is expected to be the largest at the beginning because he seems to have heavier financial backing than any other contender against Mr. Coolidge. His supporters have begun to work—and spend money—in various parts of the country, including New York and Pennsylvania. There is a prediction as well as an expectation that the "barrel" being opened for Johnson will attract adherents in Congress and outside of it.

The President's recommendations regarding taxation—if he offers any—his proposals with reference to the World Court—if he consents to speak on the subject—his suggestions for agricultural relief—if he should communicate them to Congress—and his views on certain purely domestic problems—if they are forthcoming—will each present to the boosters of other Republican candidates an opportunity to make capital for Mr. Coolidge's opponents.

Saved His Dog But Lost His Life

SULPHUR SPRINGS, Texas, Nov. 1.—J. A. Bixley is dead—but his dog is safe.

Bixley and his father were cutting a tree. As it toppled over with the last ax blow, Bixley saw his dog endangered by the falling trunk.

Leaping forward, he pushed the dog to safety, only to be pinned under the heavy trunk himself. His chest was crushed by the load and he died a few minutes later.

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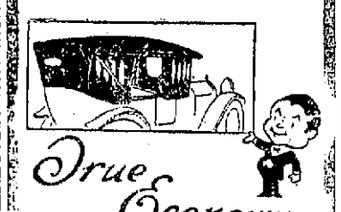
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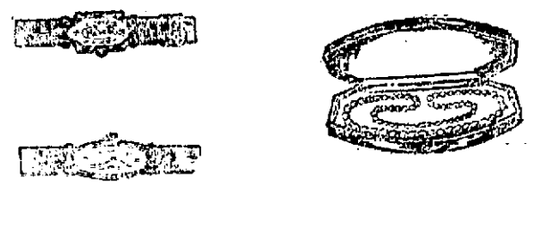
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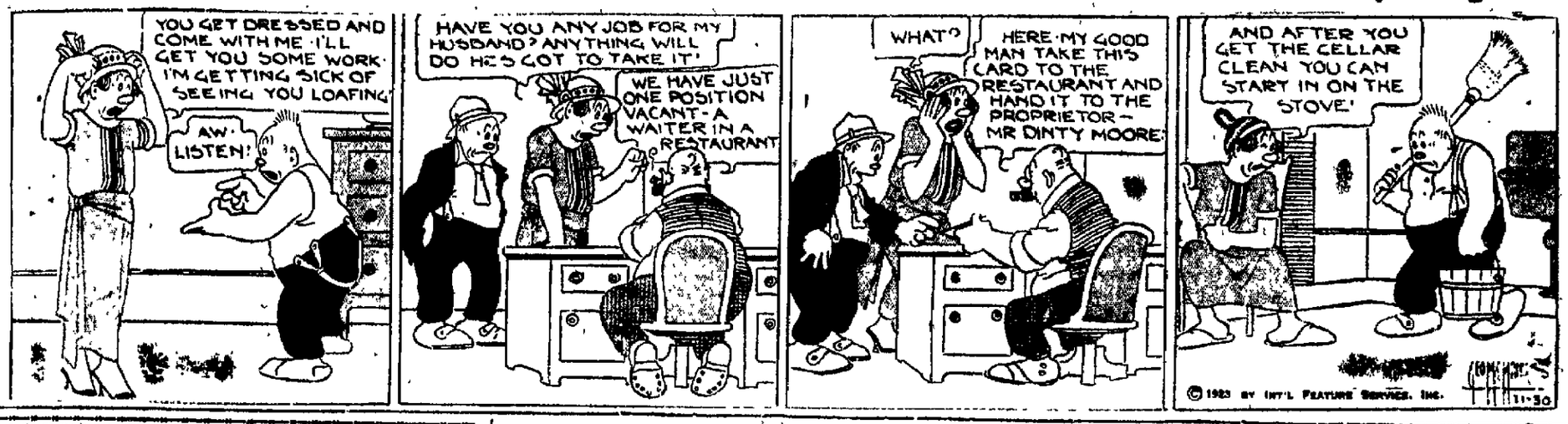
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WOMEN BRAVELY RISK LIVES FOR FEW PIPE PUFFS

Cigarette-smoking flappers are centuries too late!

Modern girls who use tobacco despite conventional disapproval because they think it indicates an up-to-the minute smartness, are following in the footsteps of women who died before the United States came into existence.

Girls who smoke today have only Puritanical traditions to break. The gentler devotees of nicotine four hundred years ago bravely faced the terrors of legislation, excommunication and the infliction of the death penalty.

The delicately fragrant modern cigarette was unknown to the women who smoked in the days which are shown in Pola Negri's new Paramount picture "The Spanish Dancer," produced by Herbert Brenon, which comes to the National theatre Monday. Cumbersome pipes stuffed with strong tobacco were used. Copies of these old-time pipes are shown in dramatic gypsy camp scenes in which Miss Negri appears.

"The Spanish Dancer" is Pola Negri herself. The picture is something much greater than an ordinary costume play. A strong story of real men and women is told in Herbert Brennon's vivid fashion Faithful attention to every detail from period pipes and shoe-buckles to the architecture of Madrid's principal square, mark the picture in which Miss Negri essays her greatest screen role.

"The Spanish Dancer" features Antonio Moreno as leading man. Heading a strong supporting cast are Wallace Beery, Kathlyn Williams, Gareth Hughes and Adolphe Menjou.

BURN SOFT COAL AT THE MINES

By S P. HOLLINGSWORTH
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

HARRISBURGH, Pa, Nov. 28.—Power twelve times as great as that produced at Niagara Falls awaits the magic touch that will transform the great bituminous coal fields of Western Pennsylvania into energy in the form of electricity.

One county of Pennsylvania alone is capable of supplying five time the horsepower that Niagara can supply under most favorable development for a period of 500 years.

The Giant power survey, authorized by the last legislature at the instigation of Governor Pinchot, is considering these disclosures made by the State Geological Survey under the direction of Dr. George H. Ashley.

Careful examination of possibilities for power development in this state, as well as in New York and Canada reveals that in future years, the whole eastern section of the United States will look to Pennsylvania for cheap power which can be supplied over high tension lines from the generating plants located in the heart of the bituminous coal region.

If this project, advanced by Governor Pinchot, which is now being studied by Morris L. Cook, director of survey, and a board of experts on this subject, is approved by the 1925 legislature, within a few years this dream will be a reality and Pennsylvania will be the first state to offer such advantages to an awaiting public.

Street car fares will come back to five cents. The coming can tell the anthracite coal industry where to "head in" and coal problems will be no more, for the vast stores of bituminous will be utilized in the generation of electro-energy for heating, and cooking, as well as power purposes.

All of these things are possible, according to the engineers who have been working on the survey under direction of Governor Pinchot. The Pennsylvania governor has for many years advocated the development of natural resources for the benefit of the public at large and not for private gain. He seeks through his power survey to establish, first, the feasibility of the enterprise and, second, the launching of the project under state supervision.

In recent report to the governor, Dr. Ashley, a well-known geologist, pointed out how this state would be practically self-sustaining in this connection and independent of the power resources of New York and other states, where water power is available, if coal can be converted directly into electricity.

"The other states will be looking to Pennsylvania instead of the people of this state seeking a solution of their power and fuel problems in the water power available in other states," said Dr. Ashely.

Miss Lucille Fletcher and Grandmother, Mrs. M J. Stoner of Denton are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Tidwell.

OTTAWA, Ont.—Of sixty-five electric railways reporting, fourteen failed to earn expenses in 1923.

Hampton Steele came up from Thornton to spend Thanksgiving with relatives.

NOTICE FOR BIDS.

Sealed bids will be received by J. B. Watson, Jr., County Auditor at his office in Court Houst atGroesbeck, Texas, until 2 o'clock p. m. December 10th, 1923, for eight steel vault doors to be furnished for Limestone County Court House and two fire escapes to be furnished for and erected on said Court House now under construction. The said doors and fire escape to be in accordance with specifications and terms thereof on file in office of County Auditor, at Groesbeck, Texas.

Each bidder shall file with his bid engravings and drawings showing designs of said doors and fire escapes he proposes to furnish.

If satisfactory bid is received contract will be let for said doors and fire escapes during regular term of Commissioners' Court beginning on December 10th, 1923.

A certified check as required by law will be required enclosed with each bid.

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17 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 4:35 a. m.
19 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 3:55 a. m.

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Charles V. Vickrey, President of the International Near East Association, which sponsors Golden Rule Day.

Will the Golden Rule work among nations as well as individuals?

Charles V. Vickrey, President of the International Near East Association and General Secretary of the Near East Relief, thinks that it will, and he and his associates are busy planning for international observance of Sunday, December 2nd, as "Golden Rule Sunday."

On this day millions of families in a dozen different nations will be asked through the Near East Relief and its affiliated and co-operating organizations, to observe the day as one of international good will and, as a practical expression of the Golden Rule principle, to serve a dinner approximately the same as that served every day in the year to the orphan children in the care of the Near East Relief and to contribute the difference between the cost of this meal and the usual Sunday dinner to the support of the orphans.

"Fully Five hundred million people in Europe, Asia, Africa, America and Australia, or nealy one-half the population of the globe, are adherents of religions that, in some form, proclaim the Golden Rule as a guide in life," Mr. Vickrey said.

"Certainly if, through no fault of ours, it had been our lot to die in the late war and if our children had been left not only without parents or relatives, but also without a country, we would hope that some co-religionist or other philanthropist would provide for our children at least the necessities of life and an opportunity for attaining self-support.

"Many families and nations regard themselves as poor while indulging in wasteful, non-productive expenditures and consumption of luxuries, the value of which would save a less fortunate family or nation from starvation. Luxurious living and self indulgence may be as injurious to the prosperous as undernourishment and starvation to the less fortunate.

"As a practical application of the Golden Rule, as an expression on international fellowship and good will and as a source of good supply for the homeless and the starving, an International Golden Rule Dinner is proposed for Sunday, December 2nd.

"On this day all persons who are disposed to make practical application of the Golden Rule are requested to provide for their Sunday dinner the same menu as that approved and used for at least 50,000 orphans in the Near East every day. Of course, in American homes there need be no limitation of quantity as there must, of necessity be in the Near East orphanages where not a scrap of food is ever wasted."

The difference between the cost of the usual Sunday dinner and the simpler, less expensive orphanage menu is to be made as a contribution and thank offering for the purchase of food for the orphans of the Near East. In this country people observing the Golden Rule Sunday will send their contribution to the Near East Relief headquarters in New York City and other nations will co-operate on the same day by sending in their contributions through their own national organizations.

Details as to the proper sort of menu to serve on Golden Rule Day may be obtained by writing to National Headquarters of the Near East Relief, 151 Fifth Avenue, New York City, or to the nearest state office.

AN OLD SWORD

ORANGE, Texas, Dec. 1.—A sword over a century and a half old, which bears scars from battles of the American Revolution, the war of 1812 and of the Spanish-American war is the unique relic of J. T. Wight of Orange. The blade is a family heirloom. Wight has been offered as much as $10,000 for it by a national museum.

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Through A Woman's Eyes

By SADIA KIRGAN

THE PASSING OF THANKSGIVING DAY

Thanksgiving Day has passed on the calendar, even as so many other Thanksgiving Days have come and gone, since that little pilgrim band knelt on the shores of New England and offered their prayers to a God who had led them through a wilderness of suffering, and despair.

It has passed on the calendar, but shall we let it ever pass from our hearts?

I do not think that the pilgrim Fathers on that morning, forgot the terrible hardships of the winter. I think that there must have been many, many broken hearts lifted to the Father, while the November sunshine touched the graves on the hillside. England was not forgotten. A longing for home must have burned fiercely in the souls of the little band, even as they bowed their heads in Thanksgiving.

They held a vision, a dream that they considered worth the price they were paying to make come true. They saw the faith of a new fatherland, where the traditions and loves of the old country could be kept untarnished, and where their loyalty to God might ring true.

And so on that day long ago, with the only temples the tall trees that guarded the lone New England shores, with the Autumn sunshine, and the old memories of home, and the graves on the hillside they knelt and offered Thanksgiving. They had thanked not only with their hearts but with their hands. Not only had they prayed to a supreme being for deliverance from the tyrany of England but they had toiled with their hands to help in any way they could.

The Pilgrim Fathers gave us America, through a fight that meant the survival of the fittest. Could we, on any day of the year ever prove ourselves dwarfed enough to even question in our hearts, "What have I to be thankful for?" For when all things fail, there is ever a child, and tall trees, and the sky and God.

A FAIRY STORY ABOUT A NEW FAIRY

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—By a Friend of Garland's.

Over 22,000 entries were filed in the Edward Bok peace plan contest coming from every state in the Union and from thirty-two foreign nations. The jury will award $50,000 to the author of the plan they accept, and another $50,000 when the plan in substance and intent is approved by the United States. It is probable that the accepted plan will be submitted to a referendum of the people and a vote of "yes" or "no" during the month of January.

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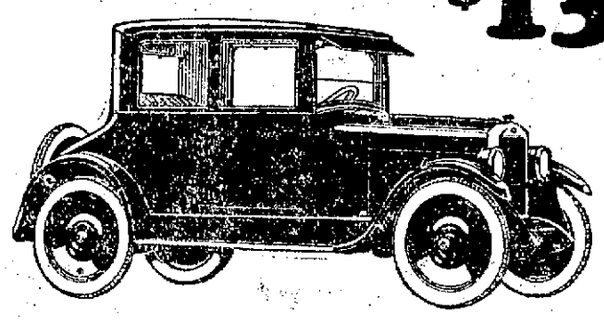

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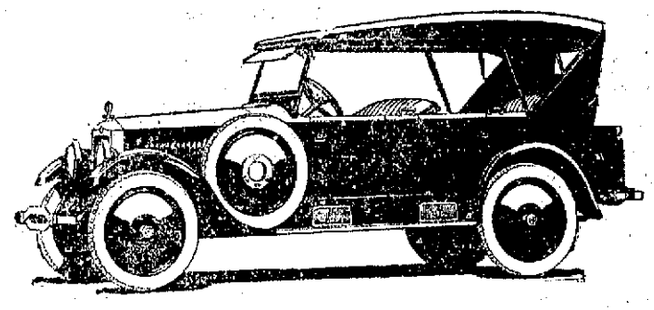

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Watch Mexia Grow

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A CALL TO DUTY

Monday is the date set apart for the campaign for funds for the maintenance of the Salvation Army in Mexia for the next twelve months. Every citizen is urged to cooperate in realizing the Salvationists here during the coming year. The Salvation Army is not solely nor does it purport to be merely a charity organization. It is first and foremost, spiritual, a religious institution, a militant organization of Christian soldiers, whose constitution is the Bible and whose By-Laws the Word of God. It merely applies the doctrine of cooperation in fulfilling its mission. It does not purport to tell a hungry man about the satisfying effects of the Bread of Life until it has first given him something to eat for his mortal body. It knows that temporal blessings properly bestowed prepare the field better for sowing the seed of righteousness in human life. Then it is that it can with a greater degree of success tell men and women to "seek first the kingdom of God and all these things will be added unto you." It goes about the task before it with a knowledge of true economy, believing that every cause has an effect and that most human misery, woe, want and suffering are caused more by sin than by any other one thing in this world. While giving a loaf of bread, its faithful workers also administer to the spiritual wants. It is a practical religion which the Salvation Army carries to the isolated spots and to neglected soul of this earth, carrying the old story which will never outgrow this world's needs.

It is a great thing for Mexia that the word of God is preached and the flag of America flies every day on our main streets. It is a great thing to have a business men's luncheon ahead of much of the charity requirements of the community.

The Salvation Army Board of Directors and many of their advisory friends, composed of some of Mexia's leading citizens, welcome any and all suggestions from their fellow citizens who have at heart the best interests of Mexia, regarding the work of the Salvation Army in Mexia, how it may be carried on most effectively, and welcome suggestions of a constructive nature, out of which will grow a greater and better Mexia.

The campaign for funds starts Monday. Every citizen is urged to do his part. If the committeemen and women are unable to find the home of the wealthy, it will not be intentional and in such cases, the one not approached is urged to send his contribution through the mail, either to President Boone McCandless or to W. B. Landrum, Mexia, Texas.

The directors of the Board of Directors of the Salvation Army and many of the citizens of this city who have always taken an interest in the problems of charity which exist here, however, in behalf of those during the home, have decided on the campaign Monday. The goal will be the all of Mexia's charity needs for the twelve years, which sum [illegible] izens [illegible] cash [illegible] as it [illegible] ly [illegible] part of [illegible] pled [illegible] to secure [illegible] smallest [illegible] and effort.

Mexia must [illegible] job. Selfishness and [illegible] must be sacrificed [illegible] ism and just human service. The least deviation from the path of wisdom and of virtue may bring woes innumerable upon our community and lose to us forever many of the great blessings of life. In the thousands of men and women, boys and girls aided here by the Salvation Army during the past twelve months, are several cases that no mention has been made of, on account of the delicacy of the subject and out of consideration to the young girls of the school age and boys in their teens involved. Mexia has not been free from the great flood of immorality that has swept and is sweeping this nation toward the abyss of ruin. There are inmates in Salvation Army institutions elsewhere sent there from their home town, Mexia. The city needs the Salvation Army today. The Salvation Army is ready to help Mexia. Let all division be buried in the common good. Let us be prepared for every possible contingency and above all let us have but one heart in the day of duty.

THE IDEAL CITY

Mayor Ernest Watson has called attention to an article by Benjamin Harrison on "The Ideal City" which is worthy of the most serious consideration of every citizen of this and every other community. It reads:

"It must be a city where people diligently mind their own business, and do both with a due regard to the judgment and rights of the other man; a city where there is no boss rule in any degree where all men are not weighed in the measure of one man's mind or the zeal of one man's will; where citizens are brave and virtuous, generous AND WHO CARE FOR THEIR OWN; a city having the community spirit but not the mob spirit, where Capital is respected but has no temples; a city where people live in homes where there is room for a morning glory vine and pot; where fresh air is served in pint cups, where the streets every day are fed the [illegible] of Nature's green carpet; where [illegible] are not so numerous [illegible] that discrimination [illegible] the general welfare; where [illegible] is neither flaunting [illegible] nor envious poverty; where [illegible] and toil honorable and [illegible] municipal reformers are [illegible] but have the habit of [illegible]; where the broad judgment [illegible] and not the narrow [illegible] a province prevails; where [illegible] commerce in goods is great but [illegible] greater than the exchange of [illegible] and of neighborly kindness."

Salvation Army Work To Be Provided For In Drive

The campaign in behalf of Mexia charities and the Salvation Army maintenance in Mexia for the next twelve months will start at 9 o'clock Monday morning. It is expected before nightfall that the campaign will be a success and through and that this will be the only call for charity issued in the city for another year. $5,500 is the goal set by the directors of the Salvation Army and others who have worked with them in launching the campaign. Many of the problems presented in such a campaign have been gone over and threshed out, so that no phase of the subject has been overlooked. W. B. Landrum is chairman of the committees and citizens who will work in raising the needed fund. He was unanimously chosen for the task, thus paying a great tribute to the unselfish devotion of this splendid citizen who has exhibited a great interest in the work done by the Salvation Army in Mexia.

The Salvation Army brings help to humanity. It helps Mexia, say those interested in the success of the campaign. It brings "relief with the love left in."

All interested in the cause are urg-

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MRS. ENRICO CARUSO AND HER FIANCE.

Above is an exclusive photograph of Mrs. Enrico Caruso, widow of the world-famous tenor, and Captain G. A. Ingram, whom she is soon to marry in London.

Six Contested Seats Before New Session

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Six contests, involving the rights of members to their seats, are scheduled for consideration in the new Congress. Of these, five are in the House and one in the Senate.

The Mayfield case, which promises to become as celebrated in some respects as the long drawn-out Newberry case, involves the right of Earle B. Mayfield of Texas to represent that State in the Senate as successor to former Senator Culberson.

Though papers have not formally been filed, they have been prepared by former Senator Bailey of Texas for presentation to the Senate Elections Committee. The case against Mayfield is based upon allegations that his election constituted violation of the State Election laws, and that it deprived the people of the State of free expression of their will in selection of a Senator. The Ku Klux Klan question enters into the case, although it may not be considered directly.

Five contested cases, four of which are from New York districts, face the House for settlement. They include Moore (Rep.) vs. Clark (Dem..) Ga.; Gorman (Rep.) vs. Buckley (Dem..) Ill.; Ansorge (Rep.) vs. Weller (Dem) N. Y.; Frank (Dem.,) vs. La Guardia (Rep..) N. Y., and Chandler (Rep.) vs. Bloom (Dem.,) N. Y.

In the Moore-Clark contest Moore alleges that his name was kept from the official ballot, while Chandler in contesting the election of Representative Sol Bloom charged fraud. Former Representative Ansorge, who was defeated by Representative Royal Weller, explained in his protest that although the recount showed him elected, the certificate of election was awarded to Weller.

Congress Is Ready To Start

By LAWRENCE MARTIN
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—(United Press.)—The Sixty-eighth Congress will meet Monday at noon.

It is a congress that faces trouble right from the start. There as a number of reasons for this. They include:

1. It is a "presidential year" congress. The session that opens Monday will not really get down to business until after the New Year. Politics will be in the air every minute.

2. It is controlled—potentially at least—by a new group of progressives headed by LaFollette, who have it in their power to make infinite difficulty for both the major party groups, particularly for the administration Republicans.

3. It has more work to do—as is usual with congress—than it can do between now and next June, when the political conventions will call a halt on legislative activities.

In a peculiar fashion, this new congress is important to the President of the United States. He faces his big test. It is generally recognized that upon Mr. Coolidge's success or failure with congress will depend his nomination in the coming Republican national convention.

Test With Message

The first test will come with his message, which it is expected, he will deliver in person Tuesday, before a joint session of the House and Senate. That message will be listened to with keenest attention and deep respect, for, whatever men may think of him as a politician, as a man they have much respect for Mr. Coolidge.

His message will be taken apart in the most minute fashion, and will be analyzed and interpreted in every conceivable way, unless it is so plain and forthright that there is only one interpretation to be put upon it.

In this connection, many of his friends hope he will make it blunt, without use of excessive words, and specific to the point of plainness, so that what he means to say cannot be misconstrued, either by the opposite party or by the friends of other ambitious Republican aspirants to the nomination.

New Faces in Congress

The clans were gathering today, with many new faces seen in the historic halls of the Capitol. The last congressional election was an upset in more than one way. "Uncle Joe" Cannon is gone—gone to watch in philosophic calm while the rest of "the boys" get all excited over what to do "Uncle Joe" is just another congress. Other faces that always graced the informal assemblages preceding the convening of a new congress are gone too. Death has taken some of them, and political fortune others. The new ones were coming in by every train today, some of them self-conscious, shading down, a little, the air of importance with which they departed from their homes, when they arrived here to find that they were just so many peas in a great big pod.

The greatest deliberative body in the world, so-called, is about to assemble. It looks a good deal like a town meeting, and, if it lives up to past performances, it will act a good deal like one.

The gavel will fall at noon Monday in House and Senate. Prayer will ascend—prayer that must be kept to a brief minute or two, and then the Sixty-eighth Congress will be off.

Curzon's Girl Seeks Parliament Seat.

Lady Irene Curzon, daughter of Lord Curzon, British Foreign Minister, is campaigning for a seat in the House of Commons as an Independent. Lady Irene was born in 1896, her mother being the late Mary Victoria, Leiter, daughter of Chicago's famous wheat plunger.

MOUNT VESUVIUS ACTIVE AGAIN BUT IS NOT ALARMING

NAPLES, Dec. 1.—Mt. Vesuvius suddely active during the night. The sky reflected a tremendous glare from the volcano's crater, while an edge of the cone apparently toppled into the interior.

Professor Malladra, director of the observatory, thinks the phenomenon not alarming.

The earthquake, lasting three seconds, was reported at Cegrano, where inhabitants fled to the streets. No damage was caused.

AMERICA ASKED TO HELP LOOK INTO GERMAN FINANCES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—United States government has been officially advised by Colonel James A. Logan, Jr., unofficial American representative on the reparations commission, that the allies desire American participation in the investigation of Germany's financial condition, is learned at the State Department. It is admitted that the State Deparment replied to the communication from Logan, but refused to divulge the contents of the exchange communications.

Regulars Meet Unmolested By Party Wing

By W. J. McEVOY
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Republicans of the House of Representatives and Senate gathered today in one of the most important caucuses in years. They met to "organize" the House.

The Senate Regulars proceeded with organization unmolested in secret caucus, and unanimously chose all their candidates for big jobs in the upper house of congress. The progressives changed their minds at the last minute and boycotted the meeting.

Senator Lodge was re-elected republican floor leader. Senator Curtis, republican, whip, and Senator Wadsworth, secretary of the majority caucus. Republican leaders are enthusiastic over the tranquility of the meeting.

TULSA BELL HOP ADMITS THEFT OF VALUABLE JEWELS

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 1.—Eddie Groves, 23, former captain "bell hop" of the Hotel Tulsa, from where $31,000 worth of diamonds were stolen from Charles Mednikow's sample trunk, confessed last night to police and Lloyd's operatives, after a short grilling that he took the 400 gems from the trunk and hid them in a corn field, one and one-half miles east of Tulsa.

Groves led the police and detectives to the cache where the jewels were recovered.

The former bell boy blamed his downfall to gambling, drinking and bad company.

NEFF PLEADS TO TEACHERS FOR EDUCATIONAL EXPANSION

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 1.—An appeal for greater educational advantages in Texas was made in an address by Governor Pat Neff before the Texas State Teachers association here last night.

The governor deplored the fact that Texas ranks 34th in educational efficiency and declared that an education was the "richest legacy the state can bequeath her children."

In asserting that Texas had plenty of money to afford better educational advantages for children, Neff stated that Texans each year spend approximately $50,000,000 for candy; $100,000,000 for tobacco and $15,000,000 for cold drinks.

Miss Mary J. Byrne, Fort Worth was re-elected president of the Grade Teachers Association at a business session yesterday.

The convention will end today, following election of officers and the wind-up of business matters.

FAIR DATES SET

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 1.—The dates for next year's fair will be from Oct. 11 to 26, officials of the fair announced. The dates will be "claimed" before the annual meeting of the State Fair Secretaries Association at Chicago next week.

Mrs. Charlie Shelton, head saleslady for Karner & Phillips is on the sick list. Her many friends hope she will be able to be out again in a few days.

Large Crowd Hears Thanksgiving Message Thursday By Rev. Reeves

A large congregation heard Rev. C. T. Reaves deliver the following able and comprehensive Thanksgiving Day sermon at the Baptist church Thursday night:

Text: "In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus to you-ward."—Thes. 5:18.

The spirit of Thanksgiving rests fundamentally upon the idea of God being a partner in human life. It would be absurd for an infidel to participate in a Thanksgiving celebration. He denies the very ideas that make the day possible.

The thanksgiving message that I am to bring to you at this time will be divided into two parts. First, I shall speak of the temporal blessings that we enjoy as a nation, and then of the spiritual blessings that we enjoy with all mankind.

With reference to these spiritual blessings permit me to say first of all, (and I say it in all sincerity) that I count myself happy that I have the pleasure and the honor of addressing this large audience composed of some of the best people, of one of the best little cities, in the greatest state of the grandest nation of all times.

We should be thankful that we have the pleasure of living in America, in this land of freedom, and there should be within our hearts a love for our country. We should love our country as a whole; not only a part of it but all of it. Of course we love certain sections better than others. I have never seen a native of Texas but what thought Texas was the best place in the world, and I must say they are about right. I am not a native of the Lone Star state but I am glad that I was born and reared in the Sunny South, and here I expect to spend my time and use the little talent wherewith God has blessed me; but this does not keep me from loving my country as a whole. I can no more imagine a man loving only the north or the south side of his country any more than I can imagine a man loving only the right or left side of his wife. If I had to love my country on the installment plan I would move out. I may buy and pay for some things that way but I will not love my country in that way. I love my country, this great republic, from the Lakes to the Gulf and from the great ocean waves that lash New England's rugged coast to the imperial confines of the land of the Montezumas. To me the simplicity of the White House is a thousand times more charming than the dazzling splendor of European courts. I like to look upon our beloved country as being the acme of everything this world has ever known in the way of strength, gentleness, love and loyalty, and all the other good qualities that make individual life worth living, and national life worth upholding.

I shall not relate the origin of Thanksgiving or give a full history of the development of our country for that is familiar to all, but I think it is well to give a brief outline of our development as a nation that the spirit of true patriotism and thanksgiving be revived within our hearts.

"God helping me," cried Columbus, "though fair or foul the breeze, I will sail and sail till I have found land beyond the western seas." And into the vast and void abyss he followed the setting sun; nor gulf nor gale could fright his sail till the wonderous quest was done. Uplift the starry banner! The best age has begun! We are the sons of the mariners whose voyage that morn was done. Measureless lands Columbus gave and rivers through zones that roll, but his rarest, noblest bounty was a new world for the soul.

Followering the discovery of America three hundred years rolled by before we arrived at a chrystallized form, so we could call ourselves a nation. Then we organized a republic and began business for ourselves. It

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THE TRUE AMERICAN

Nations or governments are the greatest human institutions in the history of mankind.

If man had lived in a solitary existence and had little or no cooperation with his kind, it is impossible to conceive how much progress could have been made. With the gathering together of individuals into groups whether for the purpose of sustenance, sociability, protection, aggression or conquest, came leadership and authority and a common understanding of rights and duties were enforced.

It is from such gnarled roots that humanity has developed and grown the present order in society, the blossom and fruit of which will continue to become more beautiful, sweet and nutritious as the soil from which it draws its sustenance becomes more and more rich in wisdom, knowledge, righteousness and justice.

Americanism means that the individual has a free and inherent right to express his opinion on all matters of public interest, and to have his part in deciding what shall constitute the will and action of the body politic. In return he is duty bound to respect and obey its mandates and is responsible to it for his failures.

The real American and patriot is [illegible] who gives the best he possesses [illegible] of the American people [illegible] in public service or [illegible]. We are living in an age [illegible] individual must not only [illegible] but must make contributions to the common welfare, such a [illegible] in the public [illegible] is entirely [illegible] as to which [illegible] particular [illegible] in this [illegible] and [illegible] public [illegible] He believes that it is better to develop and build up than to criticize, destroy and tear down. He loves his country and flag most who does all in his power to observe most faithfully both the moral and legal law in what he does. He observes his own religious faith and respects the belief of his neighbors. He loves his home life and takes a deep interest in the education of his children. No sacrifice is too great for him to make in their behalf. He believes that public office is a public trust, and would rather give up his office than surrender his conscience. He puts truth above all things. He hates the hypocrite. He demands sincerity. He believes in deeds and not mere utterances.

He goes through life loyal, honest, energetic, faithful, devoted, and is a constant inspiration to all who know him, and when he passes from this world to the far beyond his friends who remain realize that they are the better for his having lived, and a faithful servant has met his reward.

Today we have too much racial and religious schisms—muckraking propaganda expressing hatred and prejudice unworthy of American citizenship and false to its ideals and traditions.

The American people in their hearts are the finest and most just on the face of the globe. How long will they permit the few bearers and workers of germs of public opinion to come here to sow seed of racial political and religious discord and to undermine our form of government?

"WHAT A FRIEND AT THE [illegible]"

[illegible] idea of his own; he had never been taught anything of the sort, for his father and mother were big-hearted, delightful people; but this little chap unconsciously and without intention from any direction, had taken on the spirit of this city, which is notoriously, "If you don't live here, you're no good."

It was a case of community character. That particular city expresses an attitude of arrogance, intolerance and lack of consideration toward everybody from everywhere else. If you don't live there, you are an enemy and they feel at liberty to treat you accordingly. Almost as one person, the city says, "Eave a brick at 'im; 'e's a stranger!"

What is back of the attitude of antagonism that is often manifested toward those who are from somewhere else? It is an animal trait. You will find it in a flock of chickens. They will peck the head of the newcomer until the newness wears off. A drove of cows will buck and butt a strange cow introduced among them. Boys are very apt to chase the strange boy around for awhile until they get used to him.

Races today, fundamentally, are opposed to each other. Over here in America we are more or less tolerant. At one time the door was never closed against the rest of the world. It was said of the United States, "The latch-string she never draws in to the meanest child of Adam's kind."

Yes, the antagonism to the stranger, the alien, the foreigner, is as old as creation. It is one of the elemental traits that man brought up with him from pre-historic times. It is just as much a flaw of character as any other undesirable trait. It marks a hangover from the days of barbarism and brute ancestry.

People like that are not ready for the Kingdom of Heaven, for they would want to have [illegible] strangers there. We must love our neighbor as ourself and that the fellow of the next town, the next state or the next nation. Because a man is not your neighbor. Your neighbor is the person whose land is contiguous with yours, and all the land in this world is connected.

Hewing boldly at stumpery puts us in the brute class and, through the law of compensation, places us in line to have blocks heaved at us when we ourselves may be strangers.

WHAT SHALL WE DO SUNDAY?

Two girls were talking in a New York restaurant.

"Oh, me and my feller go to a show every Saturday night. Sure, after a week's work you ought to have a rest." She spoke for thousands of girls in that city and every city in the country, many of whom also go to the theater Sunday night.

It has been proved by science time and again that man and beast need rest one day in seven. What form shall that rest take? Obviously one should do as much as possible on Saturday afternoon and Sunday to build himself anew for another week.

The churches believe that men and women of Mexia can get more real renewal of bodily vigor by attending church worship on Sabbath and resting quietly that day than in any other way. Of course, the golfer, the tinkerer and other brothers-in-law to the church will trot out their favorite excuses, but continued neglect of the spiritual in man by absence from church makes a change in a person's character difficult to define and more difficult to correct.

Play golf, go to the theater, let us have relaxation; but let us not forget that God can work more miracles with our bodies and brain than can the playground or theater.

If you have been neglecting the church lately begin today and try the nearest church as an accelerator for the task of next week.

The political fate of England for the next five years at least is to be decided at the coming election. The issue that divides the country "free trade" or "protection" with the Labor Party supporting free trade, Premier Baldwin favoring the protection party and Lloyd George and Ramsay Macdonald the fence element.

It is earnestly hoped that some real practical benefit will accrue to the disabled war veterans, as a result of the disgusting disclosures at the Senate hearing. While it is true the half has not been told, and never will be told, because it might involve certain prominent and "influential" politicians, but some one must be the "goat"—and Col. Forbes seems to be it. Wherein or how that will help the boys in the hospitals does not appear.

Ambassador Child, who is home from Italy, warns the United States against foreign propaganda. He says if some of our prominent men went to Europe and told them what they should do, they would be handed a list of steamship sailings. The Ambassador mentioned no names—and none are needed. Some twenty foreign nations maintain bureaus in this country for the purpose of disseminating "correct" information. This subject should receive the serious attention of some of our 100 percent American statesmen.

The breach between France and England over the control of German industry and reparations, grows more acute. France is determined to collect her claim whether any other nation does or not, and hopes to divide Germany in the process—and France will no doubt complete the job in a very thorough manner.

Mr. John H. Clarke, former assistant justice of the Tribunal, in an article in the American Bar Association Journal, suggests that the United States Supreme Court simply establish a rule to hold unconstitutional acts of Congress whenever several of the justices conclude they are valid. An action of this character might put an end to the demand for a Constitutional amendment but such a rule should have unanimous consent—and that seems to be out of the question.

EASTERN STAR NOTICE

The regular session of the Eastern Stars will be held in their hall in the Masonic Temple Monday night at 7:30. There will be some very important plans for discussion and other urgent business which merits the attendance of every member. Visitors always welcome.—Mrs. Oscar Denning, W. M.

A large crowd of Mexiaites attended the big football game at College Station last Thursday. The tickets sold from here totaled 127.

U. H. Morgan, ad-compositor of the Daily News, is laid up with a slight attack of fever.

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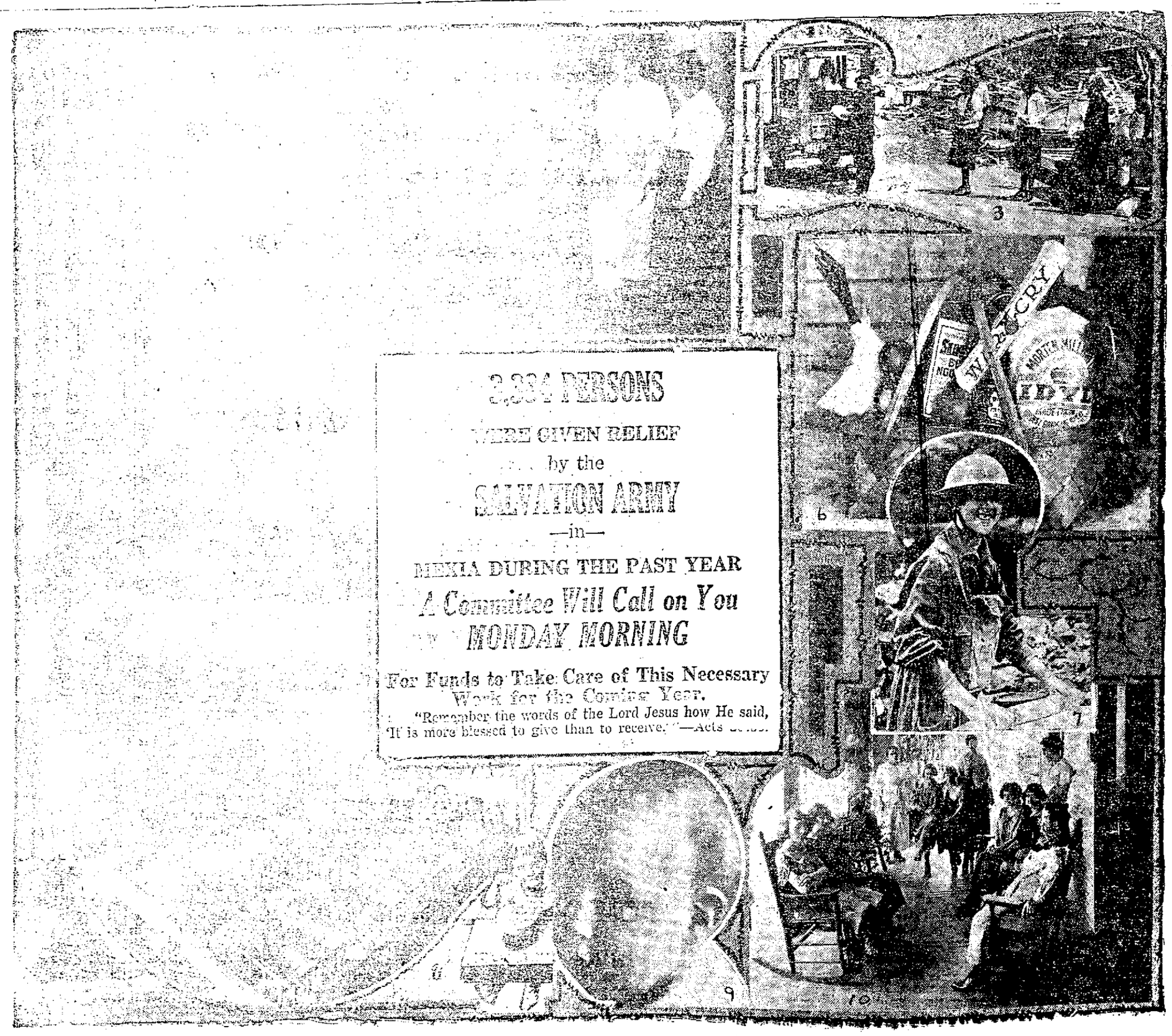
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Real Poetry.

Whatever troubles Adam had
To keep him on the fly,
He had no income tax to pay
Or Christmas gifts to buy.
—Mineral Wells Index.

Whatever troubles Adam had
To make his life hodge-podge,
He had no gasoline to buy
Or darting cars to dodge.
—Bryan Eagle

Whatever troubles Adam had
To make his life seem sloppy
There were no printers nagging him
Eternally for copy.

The Mexia Daily News office has contributed its full share in the way of increasing the population of Mexia during the present year. Along about the first of the year, P. J. Bounds, chief lientype man in this office had to lose a few hours from his work because of the arrival of a fine boy in his home. A little later on Bob Dancer, our colored porter "layed off" to welcome the arrival of a son in his home. Just a few weeks ago a fine boy arrived in the home of our manager, Walter K. Boyd, necessitating his absence from the office for several days. And now come the managing editor, A. Galraud Adair, with a Thanksgiving offering in the shape of a wee bit of sweet humanity—a girl—to gladden his heart and add to the sunshine of his home. Of course somebody had to "sub" for each of these fathers while they were busy entertaining the baby, and in the present occasion it falls to the lot of this writer to do Garland's work in the office for a few days, until he gets used to his new surrounding. But we cheerfully do the extra work, and hope that the little miss will grow and develop into a beautiful woman and be the pride of her daddy and mother.

As an Artic explorer Dr. Cook may or may not have been a success. But whether the facts of history, past as well as that yet to be written vindicates his claim to discovery of the north pole, his historian will have to record that it was as an oil operator that he met his Waterloo.—Denison Herald.

And if all that was said about the doctor in his trial (or even half of it) was true, or half true, he won't find any north poles in the next world.

With her new cabinet Germany hopes to establish the Marx on a firmer foundation. But what Germany needs more than a cabinet is the establishment of its mark on a firmer foundation.

One of the strangest things in this world is that anybody could think Mr. Coolidge might be elected President by attending strictly to business.—Snap Shots.

Who thinks that he is going to be elected at all?

The Bryan Eagle recently issued a special edition that would do credit to a city much larger than Bryan. Mrs. Rountree is making good as an editor and manager, and the press gang throughout the state will join us in congratulating Bryan on having her as its editor.

Sam Braswell, president of the Texas Press Association and Sam Harbin, secretary, have formed a partnership to print the Texas Christian Advocate for a period of ten years. The paper will be published at Richardson, just a few miles out of Dallas. It is the hope of the rank and file of the membership of the T. P. A. that the continuous contact with this great religious weekly will have an evangelizing effect on these two Sams.—Mineral Wells Index.

For mercy sake! Do "these two Sams" need all of that to make them good?

We acknowledge the receipt of a pair of little reminders from Hon. J. W. Bass, collector of internal revenue, setting forth a desire to hear from us not later than December 15, at our peril. And as we understand his position, it is this: "If you haven't got it; get it."—Geo. Bailey in Houston Post.

Well, you ought to be thankful that is the last call, for this year at least.

Dempsey to Fight Firpo, Wills, Gibbons

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Three big bouts, in which his net cut ought to be more than a half million dollars, are in the making just as soon as Jack Dempsey decides that the time is ripe for the picking.

Dempsey had two big contests this year with Tommy Gibbons and Luis Angel Firpo, and he would have taken on Harry Wills for a third fight, if he would not have been forced to part with practically all of the last purse in income taxes.

Wills, Firpo and Gibbons are still live prospects and they will be worked into the 1924 schedule that Jack Kearns is now arranging for the champion.

The match with Wills naturally will be the most attractive because the colored challenger has a traditional right to the "logical" place and he has never been defeated by Dempsey, while Firpo and Gibbons have had one chance.

The Wills match also presents the most difficulties in being arranged. The match would have been made long ago if promoters felt sure of their grounds.

After the political skies had been cleared somewhat and after Governor Smith, in a campaign speech which he was making in the interest of Democratic legilsature candidates, said that Wills could fight Dempsey, another obstacle arose when Wills announced that he never would fight for Tex Rickard.

Dempsey, it is generally believed, will not work for any other promoter, because he and his manager feel that Rickard is the only promoter big enough to make a financial success of a big heavyweight championship fight

Reports that Wills had set his personal differences with Rickard have been heard recently, and it is understood that the colored heavyweight is ready to listen to what Rickard has to offer for the fight.

Dempsey, it is understood, is willing to consider an indoor bout with Tom Gibbons this winter. If this is true, Dempsey has not increased his price tag since his fight with Firpo.

For a fight in New York, Dempsey could hardly get more than $100,000 for an inside show, figuring that his opponent would have to get something more than the honor of fighting the champion.

DELPHIAN CLUB

The Delphian Club met at the public library at 3:30 Wednesday, Nov. 28. Mrs. T. H. Hickman opened the meeting, discussing old and new business. Mrs. Hollingsworth led the club in a talk of Golden Age of Greece.

Mrs. Weaver discussed the Olympian games.

Mrs. Howard submitted a paper on Darius.

Mrs. Rochelle gave a discussion on Xerxes.

Mrs. Phillips spoke of Themistocles and Aristider.

Mrs. Bennett discussed Simon.

Mrs. Smith discussed the prosperity of Athens.

Mrs. Bennett suggested we postpone our next Club meeing until January.

Motion to adjourn.—Reporter.

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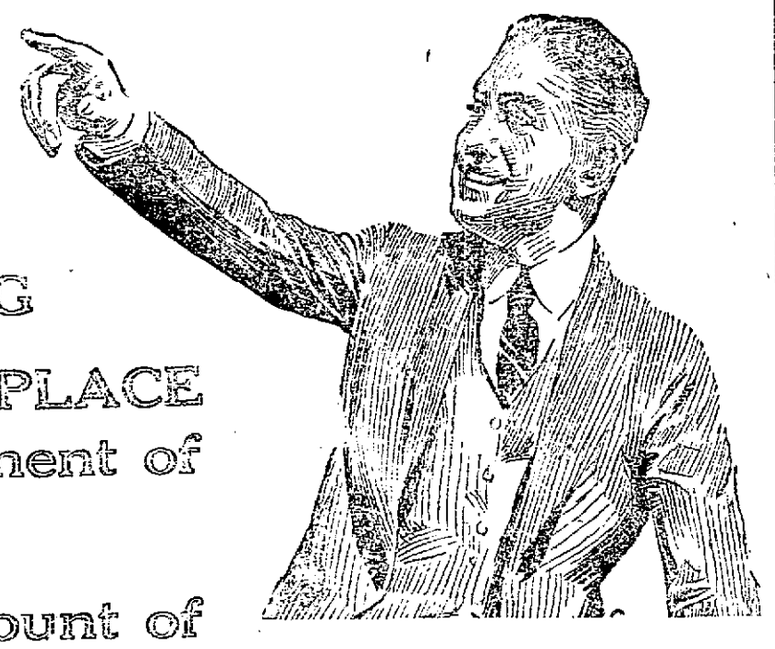

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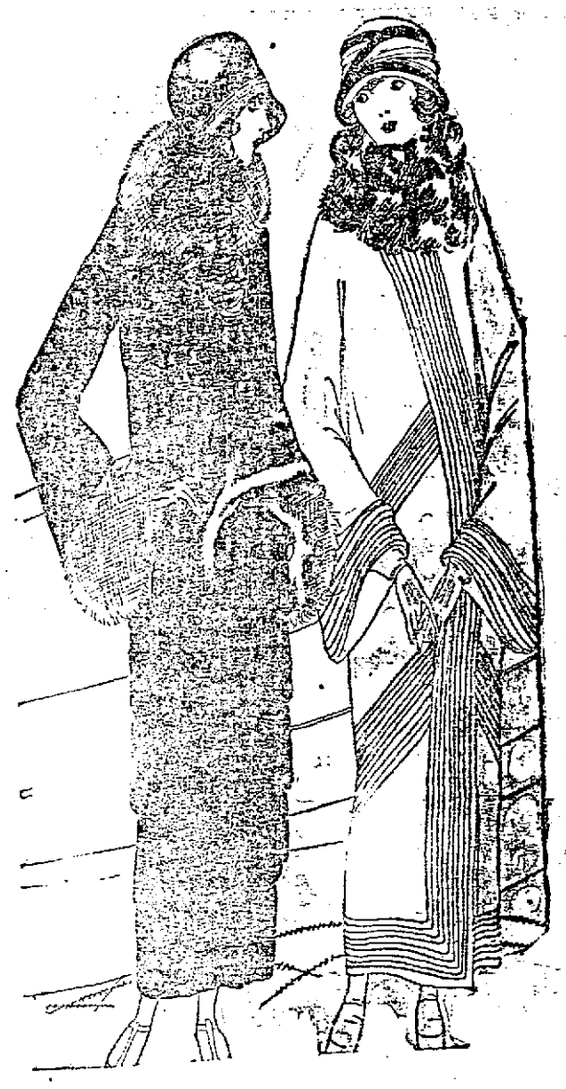

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THANKSGIVING SERMON.

(Continued from Page 1)

was an experiment but we have "made good." The name "America" now stands for all that is worth-while in national and radical greatness.

At first there were only thirteen colonies, cuddled along the eastern coast, and these colonies were controlled by King George of England. To him our forefathers paid tribute. The yoke of England became too heavy so finally when an arbitrary parliament insisted on taxation without representation. it was too much. Like the Irishman who came over to this country. He went into a hotel and ordered dinner. They brought him a bowl of soup and he picked up the bowl and drank down the soup all right. They brought him celery and he ate that. Then they brought him a lobster, but he shoved it back saying, "That's too much—that's the limit! I drank your slop, ate your boquet, but I'll be hanged if I eat your bugs. So it was when England said "taxation without representation" our forefathers said that's the limit, we submit to some things but that is going too far. Fifty-six men representing the thirteen colonies met in Philadelphia and drafted what is known as the greatest document of all times, the Declaration of Independence This was ratified by the colonies and then thousands of real true Americans went out and stained the soil crimson with their own life's blood to purchase for you and for me this great land of liberty. We praise the name of Washington, and of Molly Pitcher and others whose names are recorded on the pages of history, but let us not forget that there were thousands of men who bravely died for us and whose names are not known to us. Let us be truly thankful for their supreme sacrifice.

Our mission as a nation is a mission of worldwide democracy, which will result in universal peace. It is said that the most impressive tomb ever designed for a soldier is the one, where lies the dust of Ulysses S. Grant. No armor is hung about him, no musket is stacked by his sepulcher, and no word is laid at his side. While it was his hard fortune to be a soldier it was his glory to be a man of peace. Other nations have tried to conquer with the sword and are almost forgotten. While it has been necessary for America to resort to the sword a few times to defend her national ideals, yet if America ever conquers the world and brings about that age of peace seen by the prophets, it will be by the program prescribed by the "Prince of Peace" and not by the sword.

We are proud, and should be thankful, for the progress our nation has made. We have gone forward by bounds and bounds. We have not only developed our farms and our mines, our forests and our cities, our education facilities and our artistic tastes, but best of all Columbia has developed a national soul. This national soul was shown when we forgave the nation that insulted us by sinking the Maine; when we paid the same nation $20,000,000 for the Philipoine Islands; when we bought Louisiana from France. We could easily have wrested that country from France had we chosen to do so, but might does not make right, and to do an evil thing just because we can does not legitimitize it.

We like to think of the things that make our progress possible. Europe is credited with 35,000 miles of rivers, but there are 35,000 miles of navigable river in the Mississippi system alone. One-half the railroad milage of the world is within the United State and these roads carry approximately 1,000,000,000 passengers each year. We have 1,500,000 square miles of arable land capable of supporting one billion people alone, when properly cultivated. The Dakotas were once described as a blanket of brown grass wrinkled a little at the upper edge and at the southwest corner, but that blanket has been changed from brown to one of gold by its great wheat production. William Cullen Bryant gave one of the most impressive pictures of solitude in the language when he wrote "Where rolls the Oregon, and hears no sound save his own dashing." The emigrant destroyed that picture long ago, by the ring of the ax and saw, the clatter of machinery, the pulse of the locomotive, and the hoarse whistle of the ocean steamer. In the sunny groves in California are the apples of the Hesperides. The oranges are so big that two or three of them make a dozen. If, as Seward prophisied, the Pacific coast is to become the scene of man's greatest achievements, then either on the Golden Gate or on the Puget Sound will be found the metropolis of the world. San Francisco is only fifty years behind New York City in population.

We should be thankful that America is also leading in Christian advancement. We are sending missionaries with the glad tidings of a Savior's love to all heathen lands. The United States was the first great nation to vote national prohibition, and I appeal to Christian men and women to uphold the laws of our country that it may continue to lead in Christian civilization. All over our country can be found imported people with several z's and y's and v's in their names who are complaining about our laws. They complain about the Sunday laws and other laws. It is high time for real Americans to say to such people, "If you don't like American institutions and laws and methods of worship pack your bandana handkerchiefs, crate your dogs, and cross the Atlantic" Let us uphold the laws of our country that "America may remain the Queen of the nations." We like to boast of our country, like the American who was traveling in Europe. His attention was called to many great things, but he would always compare them with America and exclaim, "America is ahead!" When they spoke of their rivers he told them of the Mississippi, when they mentioned their mountains he described the Rockies, when they pointed out their lakes he told them of the Great Lakes, when they called attention to their water-falls he described Niagara of the world and etc. Finally they decided to play a joke on him, so they drugged him and took him into a great catacomb, piled skeletons all about him, stood other skeletons up in corners and along the walls. They put a bridle in his mouth and then left awaiting his awakening. Finally he aroused, pushed the dry bones over on the stone floor, jumped up shouting, "This is resurrection morning and I am the first one up! America is still ahead!" In our boasting let us not forget to be truly thankful to the great God that made these blessings possible.

Before closing this part of the message let us consider the blessings we enjoy in Mexia. The great God in the beginning placed the mineral deposits and oil deposits in the earth. While they might not have been placed there in the state in which they are found today, yet God ordained the laws of nature that have made the deposits, and as was said down yonder "the cattle on a thousand hills is his" so it can be truly said today that the wealth found in the earth is the Lord's, for back of it is the Hand of God. Many people of Mexia have been blessed directly and others indirectly by the great Mexia oil fields; they have helped to build fine churches and homes and paved streets and other improvements that have given to us a desirable little city in which to live. These blessings are temporal for they must pass with the using but lets use them aright that we may purchase a home in that city that hath foundation, whose builder and maker is God.

The Spiritual Blessings.

In considering the Spiritual blessings that we enjoy with all mankind I wish to say first of all that we should be truly thankful that we have the favor of God; that He is mindful of us. When we stop to consider God's greatness, that he is omniscient and omnipresent, that He is the Creator of the Universe, we feel our insignificance and are led to exclaim with the Sweet Singer of Israel; "When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; what is man, that thou art mindful of him?" But we are reminded of the fact that God is mindful of us, that He has set His love upon us and for that wonderful love we should be thankful. Permit me to picture to you that love of the Night Watcher, for which we could be thankful above everything else. The most beautiful building in America is the Congressional Library building in Washington. The briliant architect, Mr. Smithmeyer, traveled all over the world, visiting the most famous buildings in all lands before completing his plans for this princely structure. The building cost six millions of dollars, and was more than eight years in erection. It is a marvelous combination of noble dignity and symmetrical beauty, and stands as a triumph to the architect's genius and the builder's skill. There is another building, grander even more than the Library building in Washington. Divinity is its architect. This building is MAN—God's Masterpiece. When through the unopened eyelids of the vast and vapory unknown, God wrapped in the arms of His own omnipotence, begot His own Divine Son, co-existant, co-equal with Himself. Then when at last the veil of night was drawn across the boundless surges of eternity, and out of chaos time was born by one mere fiat of His mighty will, arced on by His love, its islands and seas, and the great continental land form in a green reach- the co-existant Sun. from formless night to light came forth and all the glory of the world was done. From the roaring billows deep, amidst the islands green, the earth brought forth her flowers and trees, her birds and beast; within the open seas the fishes glided, nature blended in harmony most sweet and sang a song in measured beats to her Lord and the Lord declared it all was well. But still because of that love that burned within the heart of Father, He wished to see in this world of ours a knowing mind, a thinking intellect, who seeing all the beauties of nature might voice in intelligent language the glory and the honor that was due to God. So the Lord said to the Lord, 'Let us make man to our image and to our likeness.' So out of the dust he made the man; out of the clay he fashioned him. Though man was to be the king of the earth he was himself to be the thing that was earthly, though he was to be the perfection of nature, he was to be a child of that nature. And when the perfect form stood before him, God loved him and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man, in the image of God became a living soul. Do you mark the love of God upon the favored creature? God in love lavished every care. Never since have the angels of God looked down on trees so green, on pools so limpid clear. There were pebbles of opal, onyx, and emerald green. There were ferns and fruits and flowers. There was music in the air, perfume in the breeze, joy and gladness everywhere. But amid it all MAN SINNED. Yea, stood up between heaven and earth and hurled back into the face of the great creator His pledge of love and immortality. Yes, one day there was a big disturbance in a department of God's universe. A race had fallen. A world in ruins. Our minds we cease. Let us remember that with a thorn-crowned brow and with a cross upon His shoulders He climbed Calvary's rugged side, that some day we may tread the pathways of the sky. Let us remember and be thankful that He came to earth and made it possible that we can look beyond the misty veil of death and see the brightness of the future as the sun in Heaven. Then let us strive onward and upward, proving a blessing to humanity and an honor to God, with full assurance that labor well performed in this life will receive the reward in eternity. In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus to you-ward.

imagine the Father (God's Son) arose from His throne and said: "I must stop that cry, I must hush that groan, I must fathom that abyss, I must redeem those nations." I fancy that hosts of angels surrounded him and implored him not to go; but "No," said the Prince, "I must be off for that wreck of a world, so farewell host cherubim, farewell beautiful city of light, I will come back bearing on my shoulders a ransomed world, but until this is done, I prefer earthly scoff to heavenly acclimation, a cattle pen to a king's palace, frigid zones of earth to atmosphere of celestial radiance. Farewell! Farewell!" Ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor. Jesus left His home in heaven. He cast aside the robes of His Divinity and took on Himself the rags of our mortality, that He might redeem man that had sinned, that He might bring man back to God; for man is a native of Heaven, highborn and free. His natural yearnings not only binds him to the unseen world but links him to God. Sin alone may enslave him, but Jesus, the Prince came to set him free. This brings us to consider the golden text of the Bible, "For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish but have eternal life." Above everything let us be thankful for this wonderful gift of love, and let us look at the life of Jesus while among men, and behold his wonderful works that attest the fact that He was the Christ, and that He came to seek and to save the lost. He came to bring us to God. He came to bring us immortality. He came to bring us heaven. He came to bring us the Holy Spirit. He came to bring us the Bible. He came to bring us the Church. He came to bring us the Sabbath. He came to bring us the Lord's Supper. He came to bring us the Lord's Day. He came to bring us the Lord's Prayer. He came to bring us the Lord's Table

Careful Crooks and Careless Drivers

Auto Thieves Steal $100,000,000 in Cars in 1922.

ONE DARK night last year a small auto truck was driven into the alley behind the Philadelphia branch of the largest manufacturers of automobile ignition locks in the country. There was a quick manipulation of keys, handled expertly, and a back door of the establishment was open. A large folded sheet of cardboard was handed from the car and taken inside.

The cardboard, when unfolded, was an exact reproduction of the safe which stood under lights in plain view of the front window. It was but the work of seconds to set it up as a screen in front of the safe, and a safe cracker went to work on the combination in comparative security from interruption. In the meantime his companions unbolted a machine weighing hundreds of pounds from its moorings in the dark recesses at the back of the shop, and carried it out to their truck.

There was an almost unnoticeable explosion as the safe, which had proved stubborn, was blown; a hasty sorting of its contents; and the cracksman, disregarding apparent valuables, carried a heavy volume out to the car, which was driven rapidly away.

Thus was perpetrated one of the most daring and disturbing robberies in the history of American crime.

Missing a Rich Haul

It was aimed at no petty loot, such as two or three million dollars in bonds or currency. It was intended to place at the mercy of the criminal element of the country automobiles with a value of hundreds of millions of dollars.

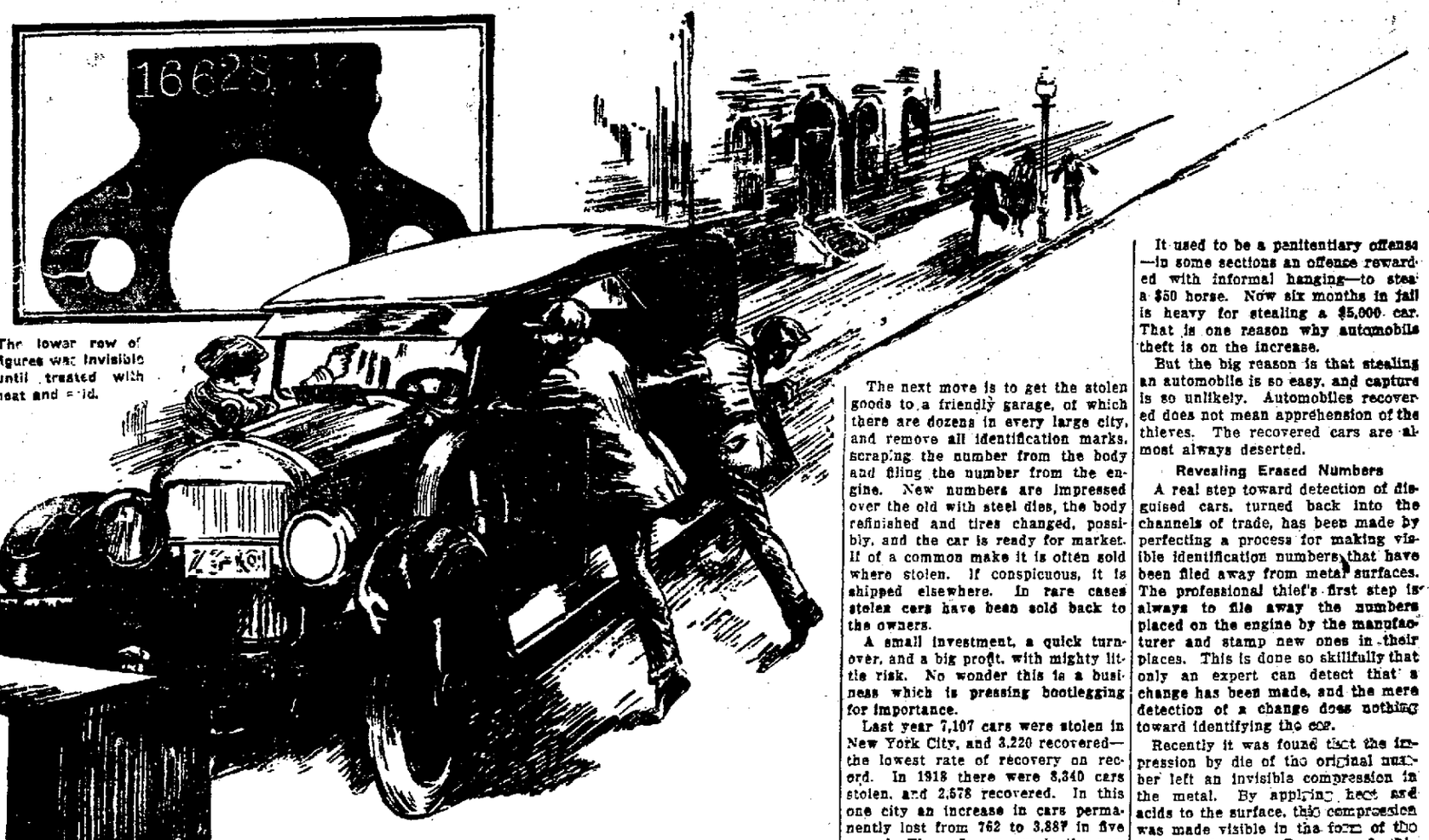
The machine stolen was one of a half dozen in the United States used in making keys to the ignition locks on 80 per cent of the high grade automobiles manufactured. The book sought in the safe contained the code letters and numbers of each of these locks. Simply by looking at the number on the lock of any of these cars, and tracing down that number in the code book, keys duplicating the owner's could be manufactured.

Possession of these keys would not only make the actual stealing of these cars more simple, but would aid the organized bands of thieves greatly in disposing of stolen cars without suspicion.

The whole ingenious plot, to which the best brains of the criminal profession had evidently been dedicated, failed because a clerk in the ignition lock establishment disobeyed orders. Strict instructions had been issued that the code book, with its almost incalculable value, should always be locked in the safe when not in use. The safe had been locked for the night when this clerk, working late, went to put it back. Fearful of a reprimand for not having replaced it earlier, he did not telephone one of the heads of the establishment to return and open the safe, but trusted to luck to get it back next day without observation, and tucked it on a high shelf. Luck was not only with him, but with the establishment and the country's automobile owners. The "code book" which the thieves blew open the safe to obtain turned out to be an accessory catalogue.

The key-making machine has never been recovered, but it is useless without the book. The thieves mailed the catalogue back with a polite note of regret.

The failure of this gigantic plot did not prevent thieves stealing $100,000,000 worth of automobiles in the United States last year, according to a careful computation made by the statistical department of the Aetna Life Insurance Company,—a figure which is increasing at a rate which staggers the imagination.



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Motor Th[illegible]ng

The police, despite splendid efforts, are unable to cope with the situation. Automobiles, and those who acquire them by other than lawful means, are increasing out of all proportion to the increase in police departments. As the number of cars which each policeman must guard grows larger, the number of stolen mounts and the percentage recovered dwindles.

There has been a tenfold increase in automobiles in ten years. This year will see 3,500,000 automobiles manufactured. As compared to such growth, police departments are almost stationary.

"If you leave your bank roll leaning against the curb, somebody's going to pinch it," is a summary of the situation by a thief, now in a New York State prison, who stole $2,000,000 worth of cars during 20 years of operation. He boasts that there is no type of lock or safety device which he has not [illegible]ed. He admits a preference for cars not locked—and there are plenty left that way—but made it a point to foil all of the locksmiths during his career, just as a matter of professional pride.

Laugh at Locksmiths

Gasoline feed pipe locks, steering wheel locks, chained wheels, transmission locks—they are all pie to the experienced man, he avers. When he took a fancy to a particular car, protected by half a dozen or so assorted locks, his crew of huskies drew alongside with truck and trailer, like any honest working men, and trundled the "disabled" prize away under the eyes of the law. He did it once too often, but it worked for 20 years.

The next move is to get the stolen goods to a friendly garage, of which there are dozens in every large city, and remove all identification marks, scraping the number from the body and filing the number from the engine. New numbers are impressed over the old with steel dies, the body refinished and tires changed, possibly, and the car is ready for market. If of a common make it is often sold where stolen. If conspicuous, it is shipped elsewhere. In rare cases stolen cars have been sold back to the owners.

A small investment, a quick turnover, and a big profit, with mighty little risk. No wonder this is a business which is pressing bootlegging for importance.

Last year 7,107 cars were stolen in New York City, and 3,220 recovered—the lowest rate of recovery on record. In 1918 there were 8,340 cars stolen, and 2,578 recovered. In this one city an increase in cars permanently lost from 762 to 3,887 in five years! These figures are in the possession of the Aetna Life Insurance Company.

Borrowing Cars for Banditry

These cars permanently lost were the grist of the professional thieving organizations. They are traveling other streets, in altered guises. The cars recovered were largely "borrowed" for banditry or joyriding. Your up-to-date bandit seldom walks. He goes about his business in somebody else's gasoline buggy. In the fracas in which he engages his license number is frequently taken, and this clue is of course run down, leading to John Smith, banker and church member. Smith's car is found by a [illegible] usually the worse for wear

It used to be a penitentiary offense—in some sections an offense rewarded with informal hanging—to steal a $50 horse. Now six months in jail is heavy for stealing a $5,000 car. That is one reason why automobile theft is on the increase.

But the big reason is that stealing an automobile is so easy, and capture is so unlikely. Automobiles recovered does not mean apprehension of the thieves. The recovered cars are almost always deserted.

Revealing Erased Numbers

A real step toward detection of disguised cars, turned back into the channels of trade, has been made by perfecting a process for making visible identification numbers that have been filed away from metal surfaces. The professional thief's first step is always to file away the numbers placed on the engine by the manufacturer and stamp new ones in their places. This is done so skillfully that only an expert can detect that a change has been made, and the mere detection of a change does nothing toward identifying the car.

Recently it was found that the impression by die of the original number left an invisible compression in the metal. By applying heat and acids to the surface, this compression was made visible in the form of the original figures. By use of this method the surest safeguard of the thief has been removed, and although the method has only recently come into use, hundreds of cars have already been identified and returned to their owners.

The pedigree of a used car should always be traced by the prospective buyer. The man selling the car may be honest, but one or two steps back of him a thief may lurk.

Bringing to justice the men who are getting rich in this business is the duty of every citizen. The police can't do it all. They have too much else to do. The first step is for the driver—the car owner—to be as careful as the thief.

Aggravated Assault Cases To Be Carried to Limestone County Court

A. Johnson is under bond on two cases of aggrevated assault, each of which is $500, according to Justice of the Peace Osborne Kennedy. He is alleged to have attacked Mr. and Mrs. Fred Steinmetz while the couple were returning to their home about 9:00 o'clock Friday night. The matter was carried before Justice Court Saturday morning and transferred to the Limestone county court.

Topeka Officials Have Proverbial Animal On Hands

TOPEKA, Kans., Dec. 1.—A white elephant is nothing compared to a ten room frame house which Topeka city officials have on their hands.

Four weeks ago Mrs. C. Werth obtained a city license to move the large frame house six blocks. When the movers got the building into the middle of Topeka boulevard, lined with the city's finest residences, they found it would not go under electric cables.

Mrs. Worth was told to remove the roof. She refused and waved her permit, saying she had the license and it was up to the city to clear the way.

While court action has been taking its slow time, the house has remained in the center of the boulevard obstructing traffic. Indications today were that Mrs. Werth had won and the city will have to spend $2,000 to cut the cables.

Bob and Cole Summers of the Kirvin community, both well known to old timers here, were in town Saturday and paid our office a friendly visit.

"Too Clean" Pots Waste Fuel, Say Scientists

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Housewives should not keep their pots and kettles too clean, declare the home econimics scientists at Columbia University, or they will waste fuel. The instructions apply to the outside bottoms of the utensils and not to the inside.

The results of a long series of accurate experiments made on ordinary cooking utensils in the physics laboratories of Teachers College, Columbia, by Prof. F. F. Good prove that utensils which have been "broken in" so that their bottoms are rough and smudged, use lass fuel than new utensils. The average efficiency of aluminum utensils when new was 38.6 and of enameled wear was 43.0—that is the enameled wear was about 11 per cent more efficient. After blackening the bottom the efficiency of enameld ware went up as high as 44.7.

BLOODED ANIMALS AT EXPOSITION

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Approximately 11,000 blooded animals were on display as the International Live Stock Exposition opened. Thirty states and four Canadian provinces entered animals.

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Bonham Rotarians To Loan Funds To Worthy Students

BONHAM, Texas, Dec. 1.—Deserving Bonham students can now attend college whether they are financially able or not.

The local Rotary club has established a student loan fund from which students may borrow money enough to complete their education.

Perference will be given students who are just entering and need a start and those who have paid part of their way through and need additional funds to complete their course.

To secure aid for a high school education, the student must attend a Bonham school.

Contributions are accepted from Rotary Club members only and must be voluntary.

"THE BAT" IS FLYING THIS WAY! AT OPERA HOUSE DEC. 8, MAT. AND NIGHT.

"The Bat", one of the most spectacular successes ever presented on the American stage, will be seen at the Opera House—on Saturday matinee and night December 8th. This great mystery play which has thrilled the whole world, needs little, if any, introduction to theatre-goers. It is undoubtedly the most talked of play ever produced in this country. It is the one play that has been seen over and over by the same persons.

"The Bat" was written by Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood. Although both of its authors have earned undying fame in the world of letters it is in no way disparaging to the other things they have done to say that "The Bat" is the greatest piece of writing ever to come from their pens.

Produced under the able management of Wagenhals and Kemper than whom there are no more successful theatrical managers in the country, "The Bat" has swept thru the country, scoring phenomenal successes in cities of every size. It is the one play that beyond question has sounded a universal note. It appeals to all classes; to men and women; to young and old alike.

Nothing tells the success of "The Bat" better than the actual record of what it has achieved in the theater. It was played for more than two years in New York; for more than a year in Chicago; for one entire season in London, Boston and Philadelphia each and in every city in the United States today holds the record of the theatre at which it was presented for gross box office receipts. It has been seen by more than 6,000,000 persons and has turned in over $9,000,000 in earnings to its owners. No play can even approach this record for the comparatively brief time "The Bat" has been playing.

The presentation of "The Bat" here is a distinct treat for theatre-goers. Those who are willing to take a word of advice will be prompt in securing their seats.

ANOTHER KILLED AT R. R. CROSSING

COMMERCE, Texas, Dec. 1.—W. W. Sparks, 25, was killed when his automobile was struck at a grade crossing by a Texas Midland motor car. His wife and one child survive him.

England's Queen Mother 79 And Greatly Honored

LONDON, Dec. 1.—Queen Mother Alexandra, long the best loved of all British royalties, celebrated her 79th birthday here today.

An endless stream of callers, headed by the Danish Minister, tendered official and personal homage to the "Sea King's daughter from over the sea," as Tennyson wrote many years ago.

From the moment of her landing in England to marry the late King Edward in 1863, the Danish Princess won all hearts.

King George will give a private family banquet in honor of his mother tonight.

Flags were flown on Government biuldings and salutes fired in honor of the anniversary today.

It did not take long for some folks to take advantage of the Sne[illegible] Year-end offer now being made by Jean Ormsby, City Circulator, of the Mexia Daily News. Folks realizing they did not hove to wait until the first of 1924 to get the $5.00 offer cut subscribe now and get the rest of 1923—and all of 1924. This is no doubt the most generous price cutting ever permitted on a subscription to be delivered by carrier.

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Announcement

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401 East Commerce St.

Southern Tariff Congress Meets December 7th

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 1.—The Southern Tariff Congress, which convenes here December 7th has assumed national proportion with the announcement from the Western Tariff Association, with headquarters in Salt Lake City, and Midwest Tariff Association, now in process of formation, that these two organizations would be represented at the Congress here.

The decision of these two organizations to affiliate with the Southern body united the three principal raw material producing sections of the Nation into an organized unit, which is expected to prove a powerful combination of industrial strength in securing and maintaining tariff rates suited to the needs of productive industries.

The co-ordinated interests will fight to retain the vegetable oil schedule of the present tariff law.

Telegrams received at headquarters of the Southern Congress today said that W. F. McClure, head of the recently organized Western Tariff Association, and W. S. Weston, of Omaha, Chairman of the Midwest Tariff Association, now forming, would be in Chattanooga December 7 to attend the Tariff Congress to aid in the formation of a program of action that will unite and cement the producing interests of the nation.

The three tariff organizations represent more than 35 producing states of the nation.

Bankers of the South, conscious of the fact that the reopening of the vegetable oil schedule by the Tariff Commission, is a serious menace to the farming interest of the South, also have joined in aid of the fight the Congress is making for Southern producers, by sending checks to Congress headquarters to aid of the campaign against the tariff reduction. C. C. Nottingham of the First National Bank of Chattanooga, is treasurer for the Congress.

Banking associations all over the South will be represented at the Chattanooga meeting. In rallying to the support of the attacked producers the banking interests, according to Congress officials, have shown they appreciate that the welfare of the South is linked up with the prosperity of southern farmers.

Congress officials say that a concerted effort is being made in Washington by powerful, organized, selfish commercial interests who are the purchasers of the South's raw products, to destroy the present schedules of the principal products of the South. The meeting is to plan a defense and solicit the sympahty and sentiment of southern industry.

The banker, according to a letter from Robert E. Wait of Little Rock, President of the Arkansas Bankers Association, is more capable of quickly grasping the significance of a sudden deflation in prices and to visalize the panic that would follow if the hopes and aspiration of the powerful interests antagonistic to the farmers succeed in carrying out their program.

THAD McCLAIN WILDCAT DRILLING IN

The Thad McClain No. 1 Green 4 miles east of Teague on the J. Lawrence survey is drilling in. After the cement had been drilled through a strong gas pressure was in evidence and about two feet of new hole made. Saturday the bailing line was being rigged up preparatory to commencing bailing. By Sunday the effort to bring in this wildcat will be in full blast and, if evidence is to be a forerunner this well should be a corker as considerable gas was noted when the plug was drilled.

PAUL COHN.

When Winter Comes

By BEN B. HUNT

December urges Autumn out,
And Winter starts today;
With speeding wings Time rushes on
Upon his eager way.
Oh who should say his heart is glad
That Time is rushing by?
And still, within I must confess,
A happy heart have I!

So many things I'm thankful for
Upon this winter day,
I'd like to sing a happy song
To folks along the way.
I'd like for all the world to know
That in my wayward heart
I can't ignore the tender love
His mercy doth impart.

I cannot say that all the way
I've wandered thru the year
Has been devoid of sorrow or
Without a single tear;
I cannot claim that all the things
For which I've knelt and pray'd
Have been among the many gifts
Around my door He's laid.

And still, the Lord's been awful good
And always near my side;
He's carried safely my frail bark
Upon the rushing tide.
He's given me a happy home
And three square meals a day;
He's made life seem a tender dream
Instead of bleak and gray!

COSTELLO-BLODGETT

Miss Lenora Blodgett, a popular and lovely young lady of this city, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Blodgett Friday morning at 8:30 became the bride of Mr. Thomas J. Costello of Corsicana. The happy affair was consumated at the St. Mary's Catholic church on North Bonham, Father Joseph Kelley, minister. They left for a two weeks honey moon to San Antonio, Houston and other South Texas points, making the trip in automobile. After December the 15th, they will be at home in Corsicana. The host of friends of the charming young lady and this splendid young man wish for them a full measure of life's joys as they pass this way. Congratulations are extended them.

MULES RUN WILD IN THE CEMETERY

Further disregard of the proper respect to the dead is said to be in evidence now frequently by parties allowing mules to run wild in the City Cemetery. It is said the animals knock over monuments and trample up flowers in a most shameful manner. The subject has aroused the comment of many interested in the upkeep of the sacred spot.

The News was glad to see Rev. W. B. Andrews able to be out Saturday after being ill for several days.

NANSEN, HERE ON LECTURE TOUR, PLEADS AID FOR GREEK REFUGEES

GOLDEN RULE SUNDAY
23, instead of my usual dinner,
I will eat the equivalent of the simple meal served to the orphan children of NEAR EAST RELIEF, and give the difference to them.
Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, Famous Scientist, Digging U. S. to Aid of Greek Refugees.

Left—Leading refugees on barges at Mitylene as a part of exchange of populations between Greece and Turkey affecting 500,000 people and supervised by American Near East Relief Workers. And, below, Dr. Nansen signing his Golden Rule Day Helps and a distribution of the pledge card.

Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, famous scientist and arctic explorer who, in 1896, came within a few degrees of reaching the North Pole on foot, arrived in New York recently and is touring the United States, as head of the International Relief Commission of the League of Nations, in an effort to raise money for the Greek refugees from Asia Minor who have found shelter in Thrace, but face starvation before their first crops can be raised.

Immediately on his arrival in New York, Dr. Nansen made a plea to citizens of the Near East Relief, the only American relief organization now operating in Greece, to continue and extend its work on behalf of the destitute refugees, and himself signed a pledge to observe Sunday, Dec. 2, as "International Golden Rule Day," when people all over the world are asked to practice a bit of self-denial, such as eating one meal of refugee orphans' rations, in order to make a contribution for Near East relief work.

Cason Begins His Work at Riddle's

Jere Cason severed his relations with the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company Friday, assuming his new relations with the J. I. Riddle Undertaking Company on the first of December which was Saturday.

Mr. Cason has resided in Mexia for the past year, during which time he has made many friends and worked to give Mexia the best possible telephone service, being manager for the company here, at Teague, Wortham and Hhornton.

He resigned several weeks ago in order to become a part of the J. I. Riddle and Company, furniture dealers and undertakers. Mr. Cason is a man easily met, is by nature an optimist and booster, and will prove a valuable assistant to Mr. Riddle both on the outside and on the inside of the big establishment.

He is succeeded in the Telephone Company by R. J. Covington of Breckenridge.

Melancholy Days Of Sport Strike The Sport World

By FRANK GETTY

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Those melancholy days are upon us when from the realms of sport we get—words, not deeds.

As football fades from the picture, having achieved a success that practically obliterated from these pages the other branches of athletic activity the insatiable sports lover looks around to see what's next.

Regretfully it must be recorded that in practically every line of endeavor there is a period of pernicious inactivity.

About the leading event under way appears to be a free for all for press agents. From these we glean our week-end sports gossip, somewat as follows:

Boxing.

Senor Luis Firpo, in far off Buenos Aires where he has blossomed as a coal and auto merchant, reiterated today in a cable to the United Press he really has signed for a bout with Harry Wills May 5th. Firpo claims to have a contract with Tex Rickard in writing and to be forwarding same today. Here in New York, the "Black Panther" and his manager, Paddy Mullins professes to know nothing of it. Mullins, who a short time ago was shouting about wanting to match Harry with anyone, now doesn't want to meet Firpo if he can help it, hoping Dempsey will weaken and give Wills a chance at the title.

Baseball.

The wood is crackling briskly in the winter stove league, amid talk of trades that will deprive St. Louis, Mo., of its ablest performers in both leagues. Several league clubs are offering the local town halls for Urban Shocker while as many national mannuates are pawning the family "jools" for a determined attempt to land Rogers Hornsby.

Rex J. Forrest left Friday for Temple where his wife is undergoing an operation.

DEMONSTRATION HOME GOING UP RAPIDLY

The Hughes Demonstration Home being built under the direction of The News Publishing Company continues to attract many to its rising walls every day. The house is being built rapidly, Oscar Denning, contractor, and the Neece Lumber Company cooperating in detail in the work and also in informing the public in regard to every item about the home. "It is to be a very nice place when completed," said W. K. Boyd of the News Saturday. "In fact, I would be glad to reside in such a home and the more homes like that in Mexia, the core certain are we to develop into a better and bigger Mexia," he added.

The building is located on a lot just off of Ross Avenue on East Main. Another new home is going up just around the corner on Ross and the large two story residence on the corner will be moved at an early date. It is likely that a fine new home will be built at once on the corner, attesting the good judgment of The News in selecting the location.

SALVATION ARMY

ed to come and help. At 9 o'clock the morning, Monday, at Jesse London's office, the committees, who will assist, men and women, meet, from which place they will out to make a canvass of the en city.

Every citizen is urged to be re for the committee and respond pro ly and as generously as possible order to make quick work of the m ter and to carry it to success.

Jess McLendon, chairman of directors, said late Saturday that looked like the campaign would conducted to a successful conclusion a very few hours and issued an sistent call for workers to meet in office Monday morning for the wo of the day, which Mexia is to take c of her charity, which no people c afford to neglect. Mr. McLendon h given much time to the work and as with many others are interested its success.

A Christmas Bazaar is announc for Monday and Tuesday, which w be held in the Smith Building. T ladies conducting the Bazaar will a preciate the patronage of the pu lic in its success.

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PATTERSON'S COLUMN

YESTERDAY I paid my landlord
* * * *
FOR THE past year his
* * * *
LAST MONTH'S rent and
* * * *
SURRENDERED MY lease which
* * * *
WILL END December 31st
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AND A certain
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BIT OF homesickness came
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OVER ME—a certain feeling
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OF REGRET at leaving his
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PREMISES FOR while we could
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NOT AGREE on rentals we
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HAVE NEVER disagreed upon
* * * *
ANY OTHER thing
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HE IS one of the most
* * * *
SCRUPULOUSLY HONEST and
* * * *
CONSCIENTIOUS GENTLEMEN
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I HAVE EVER met
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AND MEN of such character
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ARE NOT met with every
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THE PACIFIC with a sack of
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MY DIMES and one dropped
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FOUND IT and bring it to
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ME FOR that's the sort of
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SQUARE DEALING he believes
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IN AND at the same time
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IF ANY man owes him ten
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CENTS THEY need not try
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TO SETTLE for nine
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AND THAT'S the sort of
* * * *
BUSINESS MAN he is
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SO GOOD friends of mine
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COME ON here for the
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NEXT FEW weeks and gobble
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UP THE bargains I have to
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OFFER WHICH are many
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IN FACT I want you to look
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EVERYWHERE then come here
* * * *
AND TELL me honestly
* * * *
WHAT YOU think of my
* * * *
STOCK AND prices
* * * *
I THANK you
* * * *
—PATTERSON.

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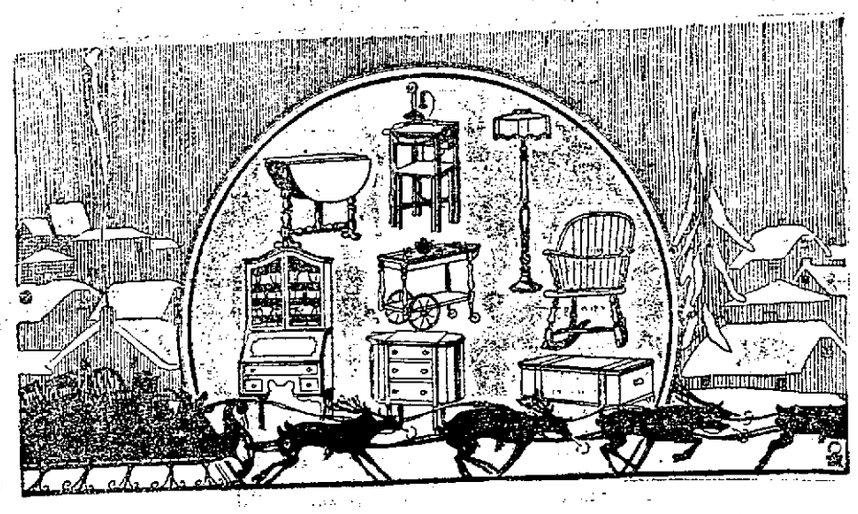

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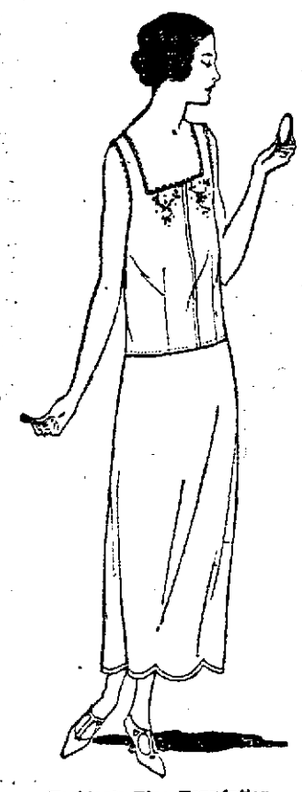
Combination Petticoat and Underbodice



Fashion's Fine Foundation

A frock must go forth in the world fundamentally correct, therefore emphasis is placed on what is worn underneath. This combination petticoat and underbodice is an unusually interesting bit of underwear.

Without the preliminary of assuring the home dressmaker that she may duplicate this model in many materials, emphasis is going to be placed on the fact that the purpose of this combination is to give the proper foundation to the season's frocks. The lower edge of the petticoat is finished in scallops that are bound with self-material, while the underbodice, with square neck, is trimmed with lace and hand embroidery.

The bodice is made with seams that are felled, as shown in Figure I. First, make a plain seam on the under side of the bodice, then trim to a narrow edge on one side of the seam, leaving the other side ¾ of an inch wide. Make a narrow underturning on the untrimmed or ¾-inch edge, making the turning toward the narrow trimmed edge. Lay the work flat on the table, crease or press the

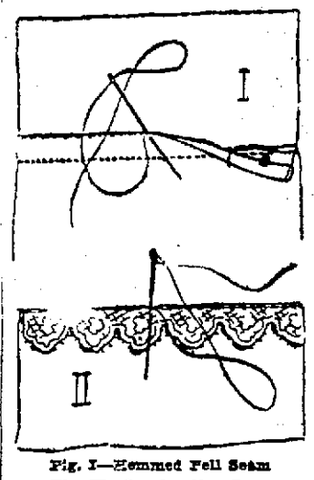


Fig. I—Hemmed Fell Seam
Fig. II—Overhanding Lace

wide turned edge over the trimmed edge, baste down carefully and finish with hemming-stitches.

Figure II shows how to overhand lace to the edge of the neck and armholes. Hold the edges of the lace and hem together and whip through every mesh of the lace. If the meshes are skipped now and then, the effect of the finished work will not be even.

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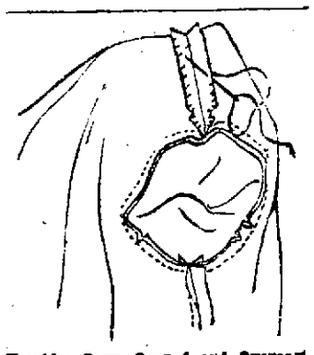
A Two-Piece Slip-on Dress for Misses

Where Braid Wins Its Stripes

So many clever things are done with braid this season that the women seeking something different will welcome this arrangement of the trimming on a two-piece frock of navy Poiret twill.

One of the great dressmakers of Paris takes the simple straight-line, slip-on frock and treats it so cleverly that it does not really seem a part of the modes with which we are already familiar. The skirt is outlined with bias folds of silk, which form a panel down the front and trims the scalloped lower edges. Then the waist is stitched with fine soutache braid in odd design to represent one of the unique Oriental borders that one sees in pictures from the Far East. The braid may be in light tan, pale green, dark green and yellow. Or, for the conservative taste, the braid may be in one color or, at the most, in two colors, both subdued.

The diagram shows a simple and quick way to finish the shoulder and side seams. They are simply pressed open after stitches, then overcast. If preferred, the edges may be turned in, but this depends largely upon the material. In putting in the sleeve, the center of the top of the sleeve should be matched with the shoulder



Shoulder Seam Opened and Overcast

seam, and the seam of the sleeve made even with the underarm seam.

This dress has many possibilities and appeals especially to the woman who devotes a part of her wardrobe to sports attire. The sleeves and collar may be positively daring, if the costume is reserved for the country club or golf course.

If developed in striped velours it would make an exceedingly practical winter frock for wear under a wrap devoid of fur.

THE BAT" IS FLYING THIS WAY! AT OPERA HOUSE DEC. 8, MAT. AND NIGHT.

"The Bat", one of the most spectacular successes ever presented on the American stage, will be seen at the Opera House—on Saturday matinee and night December 8th. This great mystery play which has thrilled the whole world, needs little, if any, introduction to theatre-goers. It is undoubtedly the most talked of play ever produced in this country. It is the one play that has been seen over and over by the same persons.

"The Bat" was written by Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood. Although both of its authors have earned undying fame in the world of letters it is in no way disparaging to the other things they have done to say that "The Bat" is the greatest piece of writing ever to come from their pens.

Produced under the able management of Wagenhals and Kemper—an whom there are no more successful theatrical managers in the country, "The Bat" has swept thru the country, scoring phenomenal successes in cities of every size. It is the one play that beyond question has sounded a universal note. It appeals to all classes; to men and women; to young and old alike.

Nothing tells the success of "The Bat" better than the actual record of what it has achieved in the theater. It was played for more than two years in New York; for more than a year in Chicago; for one entire season in London. Boston and Philadelphia each and in every city in the United States today holds the record of the theatre at which it was presented for gross box office receipts. It has been seen by more than 6,000,000 persons and has turned in over $9,000,000 in earnings to its owners. No play can even approach this record for the comparatively brief time "The Bat" has been playing.

The presentation of "The Bat" here is a distinct treat for theatre-goers. Those who are willing to take a word of advice will be prompt in securing their seats.

MEXIA ELKS TO HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICES TODAY

The Mexia lodge No. 1449 B. P. O. Elks, will hold their memorial service in the lodge rooms, at the Home on North Sherman street Sunday afternoon, 2:30 p. m.

This custom is observed throughout the order on the first Sunday in December, of each year.

Mexia lodge has only lost two members since it was instituted, those being Wallace Hampton of Teague, Texas, and Joe W. Oden of Cushing, Oklahoma.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL

Sunday School Lesson

By REV. P. B. FITZWATER, D. D., Teacher of English Bible in the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.)
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LESSON FOR DECEMBER 2

THE POWER OF THE EARLY CHURCH

LESSON TEXT—Acts 2:1-4; 37-42.

GOLDEN TEXT—"Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."—Acts 2:21.

PRIMARY TOPIC—Peter Telling About Jesus.

JUNIOR TOPIC—Three Thousand Converted in One Day.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—A Brave Preacher and a Great Revival.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—The Source of Missionary Power.

The power of the early church was the Holy Spirit. This same Spirit has been the power of the church in all ages. The watchword of God's mightiest men throughout the centuries has been, "Not by might nor by power, but by my spirit saith the Lord of Hosts." (Zech. 4:6.) The mightiest forces in the world are spiritual.

I. The Coming of the Spirit (Acts 2:1-4.

1. Time Of (v. 1). It was on the day of Pentecost. "Day of Pentecost" means the feast which was held fifty days after the wave sheaf was offered (Lev. 23:15-16). It was observed by presenting two loaves made of the new wheat (Lev. 23:17). These loaves were baked with leaven, while leaven was excluded from the Passover feast (Lev. 23:6). The reason was that the Passover feast typified Christ's sacrifice, while Pentecost represented the church, composed of Jews and Gentiles—the two loaves. Christ had no sin in Him while the men and women composing the church have sin in them.

The feast of Pentecost in a figurative sense still continues, for the body of Christ is not yet complete. Pentecost was a most fitting time for the coming of the Spirit.

2. Upon Whom the Spirit Came (v. 1; cf. 1:13-15).

The twelve and others to the number of 120. The coming of the Spirit was not merely for the twelve but for all believers—members of the body of Christ. They were in "one place, with one accord" waiting for the fulfillment of "Father's promise" (Luke 24:49). With a group of believers thus with eyes fixed upon Christ in expectation of the fulfillment of His promises, wonderful blessings are sure to come. If the church would be with one accord in one place wonderful blessings would come still.

II. The Marks of the Spirit (vv. 2-4.)

The marks were external and internal.

1. External.

(1) The Sound of a Mighty Wind. There was no wind—only the sound thereof. This suggests the all-pervasive life-giving influence of the Holy Spirit.

(2) Tongues of Flame. Each of the 120 was crowned with such a tongue. The tongues show the practical purpose of the Spirit's gifts, and the fire indicates His purifying energy, purging the dross and making fit witnesses for Him.

(3) Speaking in Foreign Tongues. For these humble Galileans to thus speak caused great amazement.

2. Internal.

This is seen in the transformation wrought in the disciples. They have great courage and self-possession. Peter, who a little while before was cowering before a Jewish maid, now with lion boldness stood before the thousands of Jerusalem and a little later before the chief rulers of the city and declared that they had murdered their King.

III. The Converting Power of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:37-42).

Many people were convicted of their sins—about three thousand repented and were baptized. This revival was real because:

1. They continued steadfast in the apostles' teaching. They did not grow cold or run after every fad that came along. This is the real test of conversion.

2. They continued in fellowship with the apostles. The surest way to grow is to keep in fellowship with Christians. Death is sure to follow the neglect of the fellowship of the brethren in Christ.

3. In using the means of grace. "In the breaking of bread." God has instituted ordinances in His house and those who are genuinely converted will avail themselves of their use.

4. In prayer the apostolic church was a praying church. The Christian life cannot be lived without prayer.

Good Deeds.

The influence of a good deed is great upon the world, but the reflex influence upon the doer is a priceless thing. —Gospel Banner.

False Prophets.

False prophets and teachers have ever been speakers of pleasing words and glorifiers of the conditions of their times. Thus only can they hope to secure popularity, ease, and the other things they are after.

Insufficient for That Day.

I have been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go. My own wisdom and that of all about me seemed insufficient for that day.—Lincoln.

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THE WEATHER

East Texas—Sunday unsettled, probably local rains; colder in the northwest.

West Texas—Sunday unsettled, probably rain or snow in north and rain in southeast. Colder Sunday.

METHODIST LADIES PLAN BAZAAR FOR PIPE ORGAN FUND

Thursda, December 6th is to be a great gala day for the Womans Missionary Society of the Methodist church and their friends. The time will be 2o'clock in the afternoon. The place the McDonald building on McKinney street, adjoining Stewart Auto Supply.

This is the occasion of our Annual Bazaar for the benefit, this year of our pipe organ which is soon to be installed. This will be a good place to buy uor Christmas gifts. Under the management of Mrs. J. L. Smith you will find a coterie of salesladies eager and anxious to assist you in your selections of fancy work.

Mrs. John, R. Corley will have charge of the apron booth and here pou will find the always practical and useful garments as well as the dainty ones.

The "Sweet Booth" will be presided over by Mrs. Horace Stevens and a bevy of courteous young women and you will not fail to be attracted to this department.

Our baby booth which is always so attractive and beautiful will be under the direction of Mrs. Blake Forrest. Her helpers have been busy making articles and needless to say you will find anything you desire in this line.

We have added a new department this year which is proving quite popular and Mrs. E. T. Meales is chairman of our Market. Here you will find dressed chickens, home made cakes, bread, yard eggs, and fresh butter, in fact you will be charmed with this department.

Mrs. John Sweatt assisted by our attractive young matrons and young ladies will be delighted to serve you with a tempting and delicious lunch of home made chili and other good things. By no means do we intend to forget the children. Mrs. Sam Cox is planning a surprise for each of them so be sure and bring them with you. If we have failed to get in touch with you and you are interested you can do no greater service than contribute cash or articles to be sold. Be sure your articles are sent to Mrs. Roy Bass, corner McKinney and Carthage streets by December 1st. If you can not send them phone one of our chairmen and a committee will call on you.

Remember the time and the place.

THE SYMPHONY CLUB

The club met at the home of Miss Marion Anderson on Saturday afternoon at three o'clock, November 24, 1923. The program read as follows:

Roll call.

Who were the Minne singers and what was their music like?—Marianna Murphy.

Describe the master singers, and name the most famous composer among them.—Martha Mitchell.

To what country does the Mazurka belong? the Gavotte? the Bolero? the Waltz? the Miruet? the Tarantella?—Miss Ledbetter.

What is a folk song? Name one belonging to Scotland, England, Italy, and America.—Margaret Yeldell.

Tell something of an old Italian violin maker and name three great violins of today.—Martha Riddle.

What is an opera? Describe the one at Handels.—Marion Anderson.

What instruments did the Egyptians use? What was the character of Egyptian music?—Alice Claire Winslow.

Mrs. Anderson rendered several solos which were enjoyed by the club. Sandwiches and hot chocolate were served and the club adjourned to meet again Saturday December 8, 1923.

Miss Ledbetter organized the Symphony Club several weeks ago. The first social meeting was a delightful one with Miss Dorothy Brown as hostess.

Emma Jean Smith, Reporter.

By JEANNE ROLAND
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Coat-Dress for Misses and Juniors

Faithful Reproduction of French Model

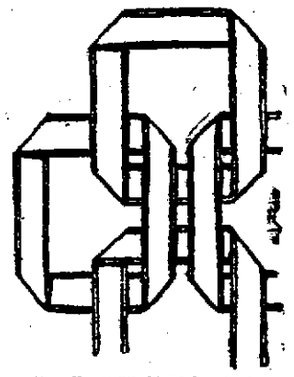
Paris went to the frozen steppes of Russia for inspiration for this coat-dress, hence it is developed in Russian green costume broadcloth and trimmed with black silk braid twisted into fanciful motifs.

A simple coat frock for street and general wear is one of the indispensable needs of a season, and the demand for service and style is simply but distinctively met in this model for girls and juniors. It calls for two yards of material 54 inches wide, and 6 yards of braid.

The dress fastens at one side and is belted with a straight fold of self-material, secured under a colorful button at the left side. The black braid outlines the deep collar and forms fanciful motifs on the sleeves and lower front edge of the coat.

The braid motifs are exceedingly easy to make. There is no simpler plan than to first form the square on a background of thin canvas or lining material, then stitch the braid over it. Two motifs are placed side by side, vertically and horizontally on the surface to be covered. The last one to be placed into position is slipped under the others and the ends carefully stitched together with invisible stitches. If preferred, the entire motif may be made before it is appliqued to the coat.

Ribbon is just as effective as braid for trimming this coat-dress, but the braid gives better wear. The vestee



Detail of Braid Trimming

is of satin crepe in the same color as the braid. Or, for youthful wearers, it may be made of some of the lingerie materials.

Wisconsin To Probe Charges of Drinking

MADISON, Wis., Nov. 29 (United Press.)—A campus row at the University of Wisconsin on the liquor question has reached the furthest confines of the State.

As a result of an editorial which appeared in the student paper calling the home-coming football game the "annual drunk," a flood of petitions and demands for investigations have poured into the administration offices at the university.

The student body has split into two factions. The women's organizations, seconded by the Y. M. C. A. and several church bodies, vigorously demand a probe. The rest of the students body say that there is no drinking "to speak of" at the university and ridicule the idea of an investigation.

Authorities are expected to make a strong demand for law enforcement and expulsions may follow a secret quiz now under way.

"We believe that the liquor question in the universities of the country has become a serious one," Dean of Men Scott H. Goodnight said. "And we further believe that only strong measures—expulsions and merciless publicity—will serve to eradicate this evil."

The Federal and State prohibition department in the State have taken a hand and following a series of raids have ordered eight "grog" shops, patronized by students, closed. One of these, the haunt of adventurous sophomores and juniors, has been locked by injunction of the local court for a year Just prior to its closing several students were injured there in a near-riot.

Sad Day Arrives For Bootleggers Of "Windy City"

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 1.—Here's sad news for Chicago.

Izzy Einstein, noted prohibition sleuth, passed through Kansas City last night, Chicago bound.

He carried all of his various disguises and was ready for a strenuous campaign.

Your Smallest Expense

Look over that sheaf of bills for last month—or for any month.

What did you buy that was worth as much to you or had as many uses—aselectric services?

That necessary service cost you but a few cents, as it was used, but the bills will show that you paid out dollars for things that were not essential to your welfare.

If electric service should cost you dollars instead of cents—as is the case—that service could be of no more value to you than it is. For it is indispensable.

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EXTRA PANTS
—$3.75 Boys Pants.....$2.95
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—$2.50 Boys Pants.....$1.95

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T. E. L. Class First Baptist Church Have Delightful Entertainment At the Church Last Tuesday Night

The Husbands and Sweethearts of the members of the T. E. L. Class were highly Honored by being invited, and entertained by the Class at a Social given by them on last Tuesday night at the Church.

At an early hour in the evening the ladies began to gather and get everything in readiness for the coming of the men, and promptly at seven-thirty, in the spacious halls and the reception rooms in the basement floor in the big new church, Miss Katherine McGrail, President of the Class called the crowd together where all participated in a lot of fun-making stunts and games.

Jess McLendon made for himself a reputation for speed, in a little contest where he and Mrs. W. D. Hight, each took a suit case that contained a few garments of clothing, ran across the hall, dressed in the garments in the case then back to the starting point, Mr. Jess won the race, but when he had gotten himself together after the swift movements, he found that he had a ladies apron put on up side down, and a sunbonnet with the tail in front.

After quite a bit of laughter and enjoyment in an old fashioned kid-like way, the scenery was abruptly changed by the throwing open of the wide doors leading into the dining room, where a long, long table was found beautifully decordaed with a high embankment in the center of fruits and flowers, and otherwise filled with eats galore, where the cafeteria style was participated in, forming a long line each partook of the things that seemed to appeal to their respective appetites which could have been either cold sliced roast pork, cold roast beef, sliced white bread, pickles, celery, potato chips, after which Mrs. Vickers served delicious lemon pie, and Mrs. McKinney and Mrs. Huchingson, poured tea and coffee.

When the appetites of the jolly crowd had been satisfied, Mrs. Jess McLendon in her usual talented way acted as toast mistress of the evening.

First was a toast to our husbands and sweethearts, given by Miss McGrail, filled with a lot of wit and humor, which she always so pleasingly delights an audience with was greeted with high applause.

Mr. Pyatt then in his own modest way gave a toast to the wives.

Mrs. Paul B. Harper then delighted the crowd with a beautiful solo.

The T. E. L. Class, the Past and the Present, was beautifully told by Mrs. Ira Needham.

Little Miss Inez Calame, a daughter of the T. E. L. Class gave an Interesting reading.

Paul B. Harper, with a voice like a Nighting-Gale, then swelled forth the music of one of his favorite songs.

After this came the stunts of the evening.

Joe Jeffers rendered two musical numbers on the piano, accompanied by that famous Nose Trombone of his.

Mrs. Vickers, accompanied by Mrs. Needham at the piano, did a a beautiful solo—so low not even a sound could be heard.

It sometimes takes just a little home entertainment to discover the real talent of probably your next door neighbor. A lady who has lived in this town for fifteen years, one that nobody would suspect of doing herself glory on the stage but could you have seen Mrs. T. E. Day as she appeared dressed in a little school girl apron, with her hair in a long braid down her back, wearing high heel button shoes, and white hose, and heard her recite Mary's Little Lamb, you would readily declare, how did Tom ever keep her off the stage.

Barney Googles and Spark Plug could not be sketched by the most famous cartoonist, more natural than they were at this time, in the person of Mr. and Mrs. Will Wright, assisted by Little Alice Wright, who appeared as a little black faced boy, who had Spark Plug well under control.

W. E. McKinney proved quite a soloist as he rendered in his own feeble way the famous ballad Swing Low Sweet Chariot, when encored, "Mack" appeared on the scene again and said, I thank you folks, but there ain't no more to it, I have worked for an hour to learn that much.

Mrs. R. L. Maddox, Secretary of the Class then gave a toast, Good-Night, in this toast she brought out many good lessons, things that would be helpful to all, and the writer only regrets that we haven't a copy of this toast to give you here.

After this the crowd were all of one accord that the end of a perfect evening had come only too soon. But the men who were guests of this occasion, promise the ladies that they will not attempt to entertain them as royally as the ladies did on this occasion, but in the near future they will do their best to show their appreciation of this hospitality.—Reporter.

BUSINESS SESSION OF FRIDAY CLUB

The regular buiness session of the Friday Club was presided over by the President, Mrs. W. M. White, Friday afternoon at the library. It was announced that Mrs. Sam Cox had received a wire from Mrs. Lindsey at Wichita Falls, stating that the 3rd District Federation of Clubs had accepted the invitation of the Friday Club to meet here next April. Long before the time announced various committees will be busy planning for the entertainment of the some two or three hundred delegates who have expressed much enthusiasm over the opportunity to visit Mexia.

After the regular routine of business was taken up and disposed of by the club, Roll Call was answered with the name of a Biblical and Secular short story having the same theme.

A baeutiful program had been planned by Mrs. Ellington, the leader for the day. She gave a short tlak on studying the Bible in our Club and reading it in our schools.

Mrs. H. C. Freeman gave a number of short Bible stories portraying different types of character.

The story of Rebecca as a romance was read by Mrs. A. H. Berry.

All the interest of the members was centered in Mrs. Vickers as she told the beautiful story of Esther.

Mrs. Etchison then read a poem on Daniel.

Mrs. Oscar Denning told the story of Jepthe's daughter.

Mrs. Reynolds' subject was "A Modern Short Story". She selected the touching story, "Christmas Bread," by Kathleen Norris, which was very appropriate as she said in the beginning, "As soon as one holiday is over we naturally turn our minds to the next."

SWEARING BY CHRISTMAS

HOUSTON, Dec. 1.—Employes of Daniel Ripley & Co., steamship agents plan to profit by their miscues.

They have started a practice of 25 cents each time they swear. The money will be placed into a "social pot" to pay expenses of a Christmas entertainment.

And strange as it may seem, the fund is growing so slowly the date of the festival appears to be several weeks off.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible school at 9:15. If you are not a member of some Bible school we want you to visit us today.

Worship and preaching at 11. Every member of the church expected at this service. A cordial invitation to others. Christian Endeavor at 6:15. Come and enjoy this service with us.

Preaching at 7:00 p. m. The pastor promises to deliver a practical sermon at this hour that will be helpful and enjoyed by all.

G. T. REAVES, Minister.

WELL KNOWN LIMESTONE CITIZEN PASSES AWAY

Mrs. E. D. Carter, aged 47 years, died at her home northwest of Mexia—Tehuacana Valley—Friday afternoon at 2:30. The funeral was conducted Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock with interment in the Wortham cemetery. Deceased is survived by four sons, Ernest, Chas., Jodie and Henry Claude, her husband, Lige Carter, well known here having preceded her to the grave some few years ago.

To the bereaved ones we join their many friends in extending condolence and sympathy.

WITH THE EXES

Several of the ex-students of Mexia Hi who are home for the Turkey day celebration are: Aller Bryant, Griffin Thrift, Cecil Dunlap, and Herbert Murphy from A. & M. College at College Station.

Clyde Keeling and Jack Corley from Texas Military College at Terrell. They were accompanied home by Jimmie Locke whose father has recently moved here.

Steve Womack, Felix and Reuben Parker and Earl Anderson from Terrill Training School at Dallas. They were accompanied by Carroll Bennett who is attending Terrill.

Jack Womack and Ernest Watson from Rice Institute of Houston, Texas.

Leland Phillips from Baylor U. at Waco.

Clay and Janie Berry from Southwestern at Georgetown.

Miss Lucille Hoskins from Kidd-Key College at Sherman.

Misses Melba Petty and Dorothy Moore from S. M. U. of Dallas. Jack Simmons and Harold and Hugh Adamson from Allen Academy at Bryan.

Pola Negri in the Paramount Picture "The Spanish Dancer" A Herbert Brenon Production

At the National Theatre Monday.

To Hold One Big Christmas

ORANGE, Texas, Dec. 1.—Orange merchants and business men have sponsored a movement to inaugurate Christmas here with a formal Christmas opening, in which every Christmas celebration will be consolidated into one.

The opening will take place on the evening of December 20. Attractive Christmas goods will be displayed in the formal opening. Merchants will vie as to the elaborate exhibition.

FOR SALE—Two beautiful Collie puppies 4 weeks old, high bred, very smart. Jim Henson, 316 Red River St. 2J2

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THE SENSATION OF ALL TEXAS!

The Dallas News said; "If there ever was a play on a par with 'The Bat', this generation has never seen it."

Galveston News said: "The best show Galveston has seen in many years or will see in many years to come."

Houston Post said: Repeats what the Dallas News said—"If there ever was a play on a par with 'The Bat' this generation has never seen it."

Prices: Matinee—$1.00 to $2.00 plus tax. On sale at The Oasis Confectionery.
Prices: Night Performance $1.50 to $2.50 plus tax. On sale at Bennetts Drug Store

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$34.50 Dresses now on sale at.....$24.50
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These dresses are made in all the most desired colors of the season—brown, tan, black and navy. They are very beautifully trimmed in braids, beads, lace, embroidery and fur. You can well afford to purchase more than one of these dresses.

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$9.95

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ONE LOT of dresses in a goodly range of style, sizes and colors, placed on sale for the week. These are very unusual bargains and the lot will be quickly disposed of. See it early.

All Fall and Winter Hats on Sale Monday!

$4.95 VALUES NOW $1.95
$8.50 VALUES NOW $2.95
$9.95 VALUES NOW $4.95

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"THE STORE AHEAD"

THE ME-HI SCHOOL NEWS

The Me-Hi School News

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Entered as second class matter, as defined by the postal regulations, but really it's first class, news that is news, submitted by the students of the Mexia High School.

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THANKSGIVING

Dear reader, this is Wednesday, the day before Thanksgiving and what weather we have to celebrate that day with! The cold rain is falling slowly to the earth and the gale from the north is far from being comfortable. But why should we moan and groan about the weather when we can put on big coats and get out and enjoy the crisp November weather which makes us step lively to keep the old pep up within us.

Let us all be happy, no matter what we might have planned that was ruined by the intervention of Jup Play, but all give thanks to the Giver for all His gifts to us through the year.

Some pessimist might say, "What have I to be thankful for?" Well, that question is a reminder that Barton was right. As a people we all have had good health. What could anyone want more than to be able to romp and play, enjoy the freedom of the outdoor world; to be able to hunt for the many birds and animals that have been placed in the woods and on the prairies for our food? We have good eyes with which to view the landscape which is at this time turning brown and sere as November goes by.

One of the greatest things for which we should be so proud of is that we are at peace at the present. We are enjoying peace now while many nations on the earth are wrangling and quarrelling over some small difficulties. We have food, and plenty of it, and should be thankful that we do not have to stand in the bread line to await our small daily allowance. Picture a bread line in Germany today, the people have very few good clothes and those they are wearing have been used several years and will do good service for perhaps as long a period. They have very little money with which to purchase the food that will barely keep one person nourished. They are under the rule of a financial head who dictates to them as he pleases. We are free and are enjoying the privileges of a free country. Now, Mr. Pessimist, why shouldn't we be thankful?

HE'S A SOPH

If he gets an M in football
He's a Soph.
If he's a friend to all,
He's a Soph.
If he throws up his chin,
Faces defeat with a grin,
Leads his team thru thick and thin,
He's a Soph.

If he's always on the square,
He's a Soph.
If he seems to take a dare,
He's a Soph.
If his eyes are bright and snappy,
Has a smile that makes you happy,
Is [illegible] as dear old Coppell,
He's a Soph.

If he means to keep [illegible]
He's a Soph.
If his motto is "I will"
He's a Soph.
If he [illegible]
Do what is right with a dash,
And [illegible] with a flash
He's a Soph.

— By [illegible] H.

HEARD IN THE CLASSROOMS

[illegible] Who's who? Who's Old Wash known on the Mississippi?"

Wayne [illegible] on [illegible] his head. "I [illegible] on the 10 yard line."

[illegible] Whittaker: "Who won the battle of Bull Run?"

Scott Weeks: "Tide of course, but don't ask us something about history."

[illegible] the concerts from the examples of a Baltimore school cornet."

A [illegible] is in the of a pen.

A circle is a round straight line with a hole in the middle.

Study [illegible] makes one hideching.

Georgia was founded by the people who had been executed.

A mountain range is a large cook stove.

[illegible] fever is prevented by fas-

[illegible] below a copy [illegible] were

written by Mayhew Mantor who is teaching in the Fort Worth Junior High School of Fort Worth. Mayhew Mantor used to direct the English possibilities of Mexia High School a few years ago. We hope that all of the readers get the meaning of this masterpiece and we are sure that you will learn many things from this invaluable article.

You can conduct the equine quadreped to the equeous fluid but you connot compel him to imbibe.

A rotating capidary concretion accumulates no fungoid excrescence.

Minute forcible impacts impell trees of the genus Quercus, considerable in magnitude to assume the prone position.

It is a malevolent horizontal disturbances of the atmosphere that wafts no boon to any creature.

Manufacture dessicated herbage whilst the solar luminary continues to illuminate our mundane sphere.

Oviparious winged vertebraes of similar plumage congregate accordingly.

It is utterly futile to wax lachrymose over lactael fluid that has inundated the circumference of the containing vessel.

Pulchritude extends to but to the maximum depth of the dermal tegument.

When an individual of the genus homo assumes the obligations of matrimony, his difficulties have their incipiency.

Refrain from scrutinizing the oral aperture of a donated steed.

Interrogate me not, and I will not prevaricate in reply.

(Note: The author is under great obligations to Websters Unabridged Dictionary for its invaluable assistance in the preparation of the above.)

Things An Editor Has to Listen to.

"I had a headache last night and I will get it in tomorrow."

"Can you put in something about ——?"

"You had better not publish that."

"Have you heard the latest?"

"I thought Bill was writing that."

"Good night, what do you think I am—a typewriter?"

"You know that I just can't write that."

"Please make someone else write it."

We notice a Terril School News on our desk but can't figure from what source it came. We notice a group picture of the Terrill football squad and one Reuben Parker graces the background of said landscape. Rap or Pest, as he was known to the boys of the Me-Hi, is a frequent visitor to our city having been able to call this his home since the day before he could not walk.

Miss Ella Becker, an ex-student of Mexia High, was in the city for the football banquet as a guest of Miss Miriam Bass. Ella is still the same old Ella, as fat and as jolly as ever. She visited the high school Monday and we enjoyed having her very much.

Miss Vest. "Oral conjugate the verb 'ser' for me in three tenses".

Oral (to Lester Tolson) "What is it?"

Lester (truthfully) "Dogfino"

Oral (to Miss Vest) Dogfino, dogfinos, dogfinomos."

SCHOOL NEWS

The football season has closed and it has been a very successful one for the Black Cats. The team has played eight games, losing two of them, tying one and winning five. They have scored 141 points to their opponents 19. These 19 points were scored in their only two defeats of the season, one at the hands of the Marlin aggregation who defeated the Cats 12 to 0 and the Corsicana squad defeated them 7 to 0.

Coach Ernest H. Poteet states that he has never coached a more sportsmanlike team before. He has never had group of boys to try to learn more readily than those on the Cat squad. The coveted "M" which is given to players who play at least 155 minutes will go to Herman Adams, center, Omar Seely, tackle, Oral Seely, guard, Wayne Thompson and Wyne Lucas, tackles, Buddie Storey and Doyle Perkinsen, ends, Marvin Bennett, guard, Capt. "Dutch" Cox. "Dub" Kendrick, quarter and half, Malcolm Williams, half and Dick Buford a half, Carlos Clover, quarter.

Sweaters with the letter will be given to them in a short time. The color of the sweaters and other details concerning them were discussed at a meeting of the boys Monday afternoon. At the suggestion of Mr. Poteet, a captain was elected. Wayne Thompson was considered the lucky man for the position and we are all sure that he will make the Cats a wonderful captin for next year.

We also notice that Steve Womack has joined the Glee Club at Terrill and is listed as a first tenor. We wonder who taught Steve how to warble?

BLACK CAT MAGAZINE PRAISED

Sumscribers to the "Black Cat," High School magazine express themselves as being highly pleased with the first issue. The magazine was well planned and successfully carried out in all its details. With its thirty two pages of readable matter and its attractive two-color cover, it approaches the standard of college journalistic work. Following the policy of representing the literary side of school life, that publication carries and editorial section, typical stories, dramas and poems written by the students, and an exchange department. It is financed by advertisements and by subscriptions.

The pavement north and west of the school building having been completed, cement walks are now being laid around the campus. When the improvements are all made, Mexia will hve good reason to be proud of her achievement.

MISS McCRAVEY OFF FOR TEACHERS CONVENTION

Miss Leta Mae McCravey, head of the English department at Mexia High School, is in Fort Worth attending the Ex-Students Association of College of Industrial Arts of Denton, which is being held at the Westbrook Hotel. Miss McCravey is on the program to toast the President F. M. Bralley of the institution. This is quite an honor and Mexia High School should be proud of a member of its faculty being called upon for such an important part of the program.

"La Tertulia" the Spanish Club, enjoyed a hike and wiener roast Tuesday afternoon. Story telling was one of the features of the evening. After a big meal we all set around a campfire and listened to Spanish stories told by Miss Greene and Birdie Crider. After the fire died down we played several games trying to keep warm. Everyone present had a most enjoyable time and were all good sports.—Reuben Storey, II.

Misses Earl, Vest, and Whittaker are spending the holidays in their respective homes at Waco, Sherman and Austin.

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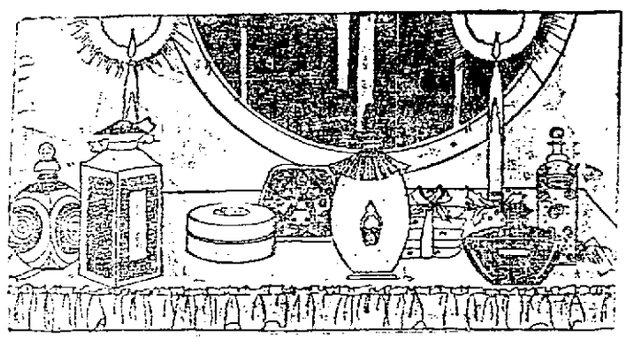

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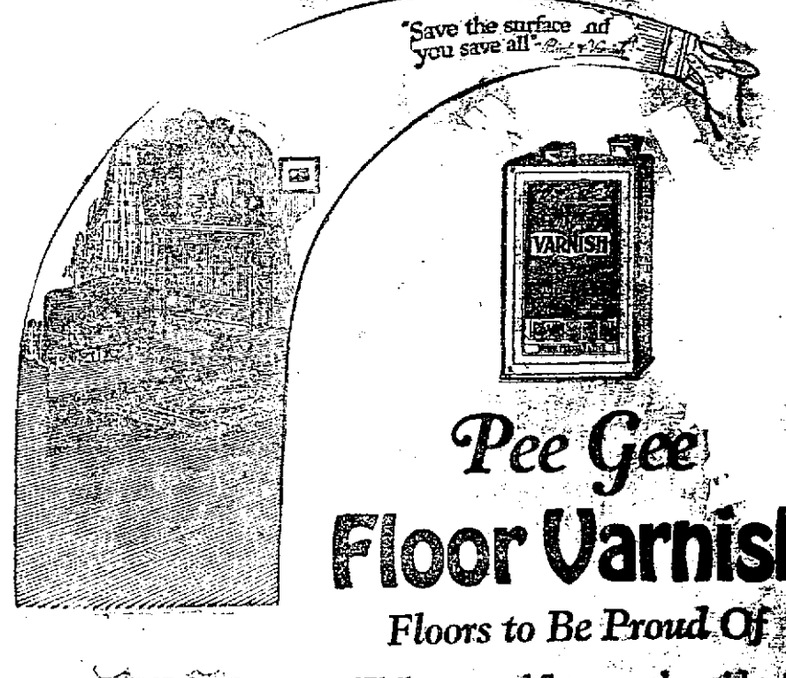

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In the applied design class we study proper spacing of lines and spaces, color and color harmony, and the suitability of colors, and the line for different types. We design clothes for paper dolls of different types, thus determining which colors and styles are best suited to tall folks, short folks, fat folks, lean folks, dark folks and white folks.

Two of the most important things are the charcoal and enamalac work, out of which has developed several artists.

Wednesday afternoon the garments which we have made since the first of school were judged. The winners for the combination suits were, Sudie Hansen, Rudelle Patton, Vera Jane Lester and Buby Hitt. For the bloomers were, Opal Hale, Birdie Crider and Elizabeth Jones. For the home projects, Vera Jane Lester, Elizabeth Jones, and Ruby Hitt. For the slips was Rudelle Patton.

We wish to use this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation and regards to the judges, Mrs. Fred Bennett, Mrs. Huchingson and Miss McCravey.

In clothing class we are making some very attractive dresses and they will be judged in the same manner as the other garments.

We are trying hard to reach our goal and if we do not it will not be our fault.—Birdie Crider, II.

Miss Bess Parker and Mrs. J. A. Armstrong, instructors in the Home Economics and Domestic Economy classes, are in Fort Worth attending the teachers convention.

Miss Sadi Kirgan is spending the the wee-end with her parents at Fairfield, having received word that her mother is ill.

GENEROUS GIFT IS RECEIVED FROM MISS McGRAIL

The student body and faculty of the High School take this opportunity to express their appreciation to Miss Katherine McGrail for the handsome bound complete set of Robert Louis Stevenson's works. The Atlas of the World, and Websters International Dictionary and stand.

A gift of this kind not only reflects the generosity of the giver but also the wisdom in the selection of the gift.

Louis McDonald, IV.

School Boys Home For Thanksgiving

Among the Mexia boys attending schools away from home the News man noted the folloing here for Thanksgiving:

Reuben Parker
Felix Parker
Harold Adamson
Ernest Watson
Jack Simmons
Jack Corley
Steve Womack
Jack Womack
Griffin Thrift
Cecil Dunlap
Allen Bryant
And there may have been others.

Cafeteria patrons may expect something new in the way of tables next week. The long temporary counters will be replaced by well made and attractively finished green tables.

New Congress Is Fighting Ground For GOP Factions

(Special Correspondence)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Instead of a responsible majority, the Republicans in the Congress about to convene will be an aggregation of factions, opposing the President and fighting each other in behalf of their several candidates for the Republican nominations in 1924. In this competition for delegates, it is forecast, the Administration's legislative program, if it has one, may fail of adoption.

Already there are three Republican presidential candidates with followers in the new Congress—Mr. Coolidge, Hiram Johnson, and Gov. Pinchot. Senator Watson of Indiana, it is expected will make the fourth.

The struggle by these factions to gain political advantage for their respective candidates will begin, it is felt, with the attempt to organize the House of Representatives. All the cabals and coteries of the Republican party are represented in the House. They will all have to be consulted and placated somehow, since the margin by khich the Republicans exceed the Democratic strength is so small th— no element can safely be ignored.

Most of the Republicans who deprecate President Coolidge's candidacy will have as an excuse for weakening him and helping their own favorites by joining the movement to "end control by New England"—the slogan of certain Republicans from the Middle West.

Senator Hiram Johnson's following among the dissenters is expected to be the largest at the beginning because he seems to have heavier financial backing than any other contender against Mr. Coolidge. His supporters have begun to work—and spend money —in various parts of the country, including New York and Pennsylvania. There is a prediction as well as an expectation that the "barrel" being opened for Johnson will attract adherents in Congress and outside of it.

The President's recommendations regarding taxation—if he offers any —his proposals with reference to the World Court—if he consents to speak on the subject—his suggestions for agricultural relief—if he should communicate them to Congress—and his views on certain purely domestic problems—if they are forthcoming—will each present to the boosters of other Republican candidates an opportunity to make capital for Mr. Coolidge's opponents.

Saved His Dog But Lost His Life

SULPHUR SPRINGS, Texas, Nov. 1.—J. A. Bixley is dead—but his dog is safe.

Bixley and his father were cutting a tree. As it toppled over with the last ax blow, Bixley saw his dog endangered by the falling trunk.

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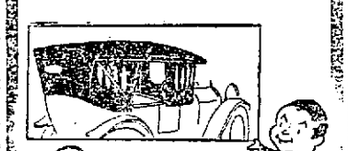

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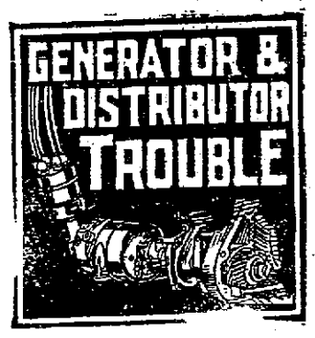

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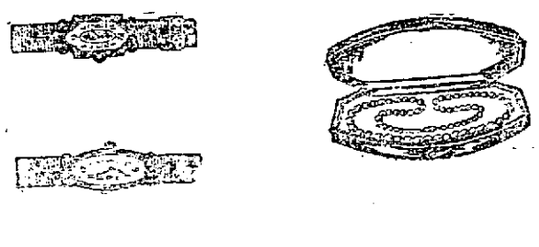
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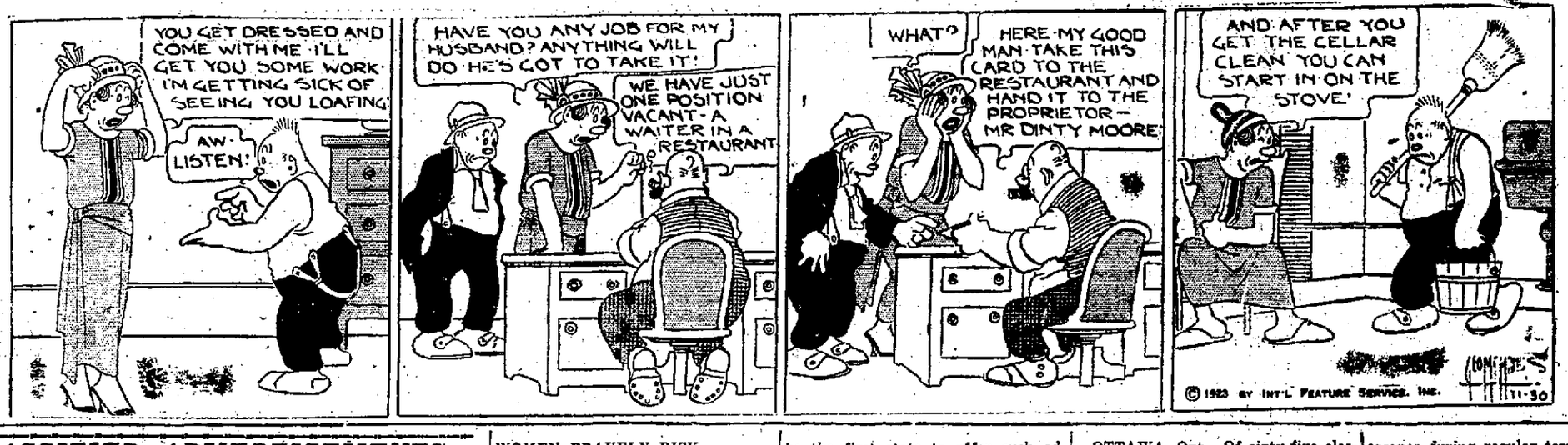
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Mr. Buck Tidwell is visiting friends in Houston.

WOMEN BRAVELY RISK LIVES FOR FEW PIPE PUFFS

Cigarette-smoking flappers are centuries too late!

Modern girls who use tobacco despite conventional disapproval because they think it indicates an up-to-the minute smartness, are following in the footsteps of women who died before the United States came into existence.

Girls who smoke today have only Puritanical traditions to break. The gentler devotees of nicotine four hundred years ago bravely faced the terrors of legislation, excommunication and the infliction of the death penalty.

The delicately fragrant modern cigarette was unknown to the women who smoked in the days which are shown in Pola Negri's new Paramount picture "The Spanish Dancer," produced by Herbert Brenon; which comes to the National theatre Monday. Cumbersome pipes stuffed with strong tobacco were used. Copies of these old-time pipes are shown in dramatic gypsy camp scenes in which Miss Negri appears.

"The Spanish Dancer" is Pola Negri herself. The picture is something much greater than an ordinary costume play. A strong story of real men and women is told in Herbert Brennon's vivid fashion. Faithful attention to every detail from period pipes and shoe-buckles to the architecture of Madrid's principal square, mark the picture in which Miss Negri essays her greatest screen role.

"The Spanish Dancer" features Antonio Moreno as leading man. Heading a strong supporting cast are Wallace Beery, Kathlyn Williams, Gareth Hughes and Adolphe Menjou.

BURN SOFT COAL AT THE MINES

By S. P. HOLLINGSWORTH
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

HARRISBURGH, Pa., Nov. 28.—Power twelve times as great as that produced at Niagara Falls awaits the magic touch that will transform the great bituminous coal fields of Western Pennsylvania into energy in the form of electricity.

One county of Pennsylvania alone is capable of supplying five time the horsepower that Niagara can supply under most favorable development for a period of 500 years.

The Giant power survey, authorized by the last legislature at the instigation of Governor Pinchot, is considering these disclosures made by the State Geological Survey under the direction of Dr. George H. Ashley.

Careful examination of possibilities for power development in this state, as well as in New York and Canada reveals that in future years, the whole eastern section of the United States will look to Pennsylvania for cheap power which can be supplied over high tension lines from the generating plants located in the heart of the bituminous coal region.

If this project, advanced by Governor Pinchot, which is now being studied by Morris L. Cook, director of survey, and a board of experts on this subject, is approved by the 1925 legislature, within a few years this dream will be a reality and Pennsylvania will be the first state to offer such advantages to an awaiting public.

Street car fares will come back to five cents. The courts can tell the anthracite coal industry where to "head in" and coal problems will be no more, for the vast stores of bituminous will be utilized in the generation of electro-energy for heating, and cooking, as well as power purposes.

All of these things are possible, according to the engineers who have been working on the survey under direction of Governor Pinchot. The Pennsylvania governor has for many years advocated the development of natural resources for the benefit of the public at large and not for private gain. He seeks through his power survey to establish, first, the feasibility of the enterprise and, second, the launching of the project under state supervision.

In recent report to the governor, Dr. Ashley, a well-known geologist, pointed out how this state would be practically self-sustaining in this connection and independent of the power resources of New York and other states, where water power is available, if coal can be converted directly into electricity.

"The other states will be looking to Pennsylvania instead of the people of this state seeking a solution of their power and fuel problems in the water power available in other states," said Dr. Ashely.

Miss Lucille Fletcher and Grandmother, Mrs. M. J. Stoner of Denton are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Tidwell.

OTTAWA, Ont.—Of sixty-five electric railways reporting, fourteen failed to earn expenses in 1923.

Hampton Steele came up from Thornton to spend Thanksgiving with relatives.

NOTICE FOR BIDS.

Sealed bids will be received by J. B. Watson, Jr., County Auditor at his office in Court Houst atGroesbeck, Texas, until 2 o'clock p. m. December 10th, 1923, for eight steel vault doors to be furnished for Limestone County Court House and two fire escapes to be furnished for and erected on said Court House now under construction. The said doors and fire escape to be in accordance with specifications and terms thereof on file in office of County Auditor, at Groesbeck, Texas.

Each bidder shall file with his bid engravings and drawings showing designs of said doors and fire escapes he proposes to furnish.

If satisfactory bid is received contract will be let for said doors and fire escapes during regular term of Commissioners' Court beginning on December 10th, 1923.

A certified check as required by law will be required enclosed with each bid.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

By order of Commissioners' Court of Limestone County this the 7th day of November, 1923.

J. B. WATSON, Jr.,
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37 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 5:14 a. m.
17 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 4:35 a. m.
19 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 3:55 a. m.
South bound—
346 To cut-off ..... 7:00 a. m.
16 Houston San Antonio....11:45 a. m.
32 From Dallas .....10:08 a. m.
38 Austin San nAtonio ....12:21 a. m.
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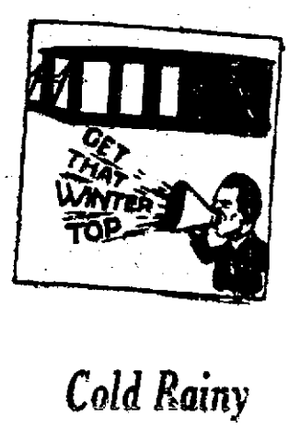

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Will the Golden Rule work among nations as well as individuals?

Charles V. Vickrey, President of the International Near East Association and General Secretary of the Near East Relief, thinks that it will, and he and his associates are busy planning for international observance of Sunday, December 2nd, as "Golden Rule Sunday."

On this day millions of families in a dozen different nations will be asked through the Near East Relief and its affiliated and co-operating organizations, to observe the day as one of international good will and, as a practical expression of the Golden Rule principle, to serve a dinner approximately the same as that served every day in the year to the orphan children in the care of the Near East Relief and to contribute the difference between the cost of this meal and the usual Sunday dinner to the support of the orphans.

"Fully Five hundred million people in Europe, Asia, Africa, America and Australia, or nealy one-half the population of the globe, are adherents of religions that, in some form, proclaim the Golden Rule as a guide in life," Mr. Vickrey said.

"Certainly if, through no fault of ours, it had been our lot to die in the late war and if our children had been left not only without parents or relatives, but also without a country, we would hope that some co-religionist or other philanthropist would provide for our children at least the necessities of life and an opportunity for attaining self-support.

"Many families and nations regard themselves as poor while indulging in wasteful, non-productive expenditures and consumption of luxuries, the value of which would save a less fortunate family or nation from starvation. Luxurious living and self indulgence may be as injurious to the prosperous as undernourishment and starvation to the less fortunate.

"As a practical application of the Golden Rule, as an expression on international fellowship and good will and as a source of good supply for the homeless and the starving, an International Golden Rule Dinner is proposed for Sunday, December 2nd.

"On this day all persons who are disposed to make practical application of the Golden Rule are requested to provide for their Sunday dinner the same menu as that approved and used for at least 50,000 orphans in the Near East every day. Of course, in American homes there need be no limitation of quantity as there must, of necessity

Charles V. Vickrey, President of the International Near East Association, which sponsors Golden Rule Day.

be in the Near East orphanages where not a scrap of food is ever wasted."

The difference between the cost of the usual Sunday dinner and the simpler, less expensive orphanage menu is to be made as a contribution and thank offering for the purchase of food for the orphans of the Near East. In this country people observing the Golden Rule Sunday will send their contribution to the Near East Relief headquarters in New York City and other nations will co-operate on the same day by sending in their contributions through their own national organizations.

Details as to the proper sort of menu to serve on Golden Rule Day may be obtained by writing to National Headquarters of the Near East Relief, 151 Fifth Avenue, New York City, or to the nearest state office.

AN OLD SWORD

ORANGE, Texas, Dec. 1.—A sword over a century and a half old, which bears scars from battles of the American Revolution, the war of 1812 and of the Spanish-American war is the unique relic of J. I. Wight of Orange. The blade is a family heirloom. Wight has been offered as much as $10,000 for it by a national museum.

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Through A Woman's Eyes

By SADIE KIRGAN

THE PASSING OF THANKSGIVING DAY

Thanksgiving Day has passed on the calendar, even as so many other Thanksgiving Days have come and gone, since that little pilgrim band knelt on the shores of New England and offered their prayers to a God who had led them through a wilderness of suffering, and despair.

It has passed on the calendar, but shall we let it ever pass from our hearts?

I do not think that the pilgrim Fathers on that morning, forgot the terrible hardships of the winter. I think that there must have been many, many broken hearts lifted to the Father, while the November sunshine touched the graves on the hillside. England was not forgotten. A longing for home must have burned fiercely in the souls of the little band, even as they bowed their heads in Thanksgiving.

They held a vision, a dream that they considered worth the price they were paying to make come true. They saw the faith of a new fatherland, where the traditions and loves of the old country could be kept untarnished, and where their loyalty to God might ring true.

And so on that day long ago, with the only temples the tall trees that guarded the lone New England shores, with the Autumn sunshine, and the old memories of home, and the graves on the hillside they knelt and offered Thanksgiving. They had thanked not only with their hearts but with their hands. Not only had they prayed to a supreme being for deliverance from the tyrany of England but they had toiled with their hands to help in any way they could.

The Pilgrim Fathers gave us America, through a fight that meant the survival of the fittest. Could we, on any day of the year ever prove ourselves dwarfed enough to even question in our hearts, "What have I to be thankful for?" For when all things fail, there is ever a child, and tall trees, and the sky and God.

A FAIRY STORY ABOUT A NEW FAIRY

Fairyland has a new-comer. Thanksgiving afternoon about three o'clock a sun-beam kissed the twilight dew as it hung o'er the Sea of Life—the Creator smiled at His handi-work, and a new star twinkled in the Constellation Adair. It was then that Sarah Elizabeth Adair took up her abode on this planet and Anothony Garland Adair, editorial wizard of The Daily News, posed before a mirror, brushed the brow of wisdom, unraveled the wrinkles of worry and said, "let joy be unconfined, she looks like Father."

What a lucky little lady and no doubt Psyche conspired with Venus in her coming. All friends of Garland Adair must see that he remains conscious, that he does not mistake lamp posts for lightning-bugs or tries to locate milk stations along the milk-way.

—By a Friend of Garland's.

Over 22,000 entries were filed in the Edward Bok peace plan contest coming from every state in the Union and from thirty-two foreign nations. The jury will award $50,000 to the author of the plan they accept, and another $50,000 when the plan in substance and intent is approved by the United States. It is probable that the accepted plan will be submitted to a referendum of the people and a vote of "yes" or "no" during the month of January.

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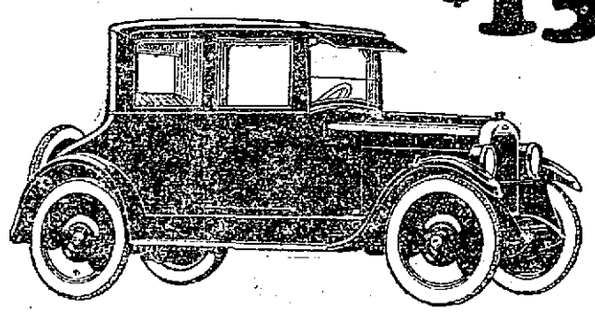

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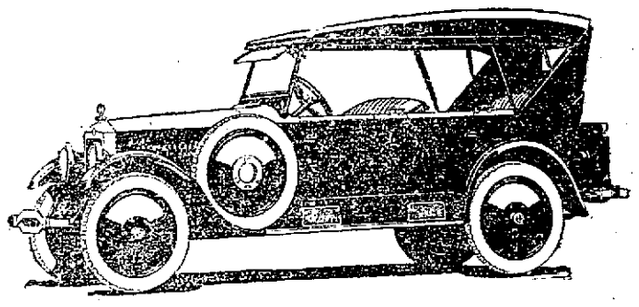

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